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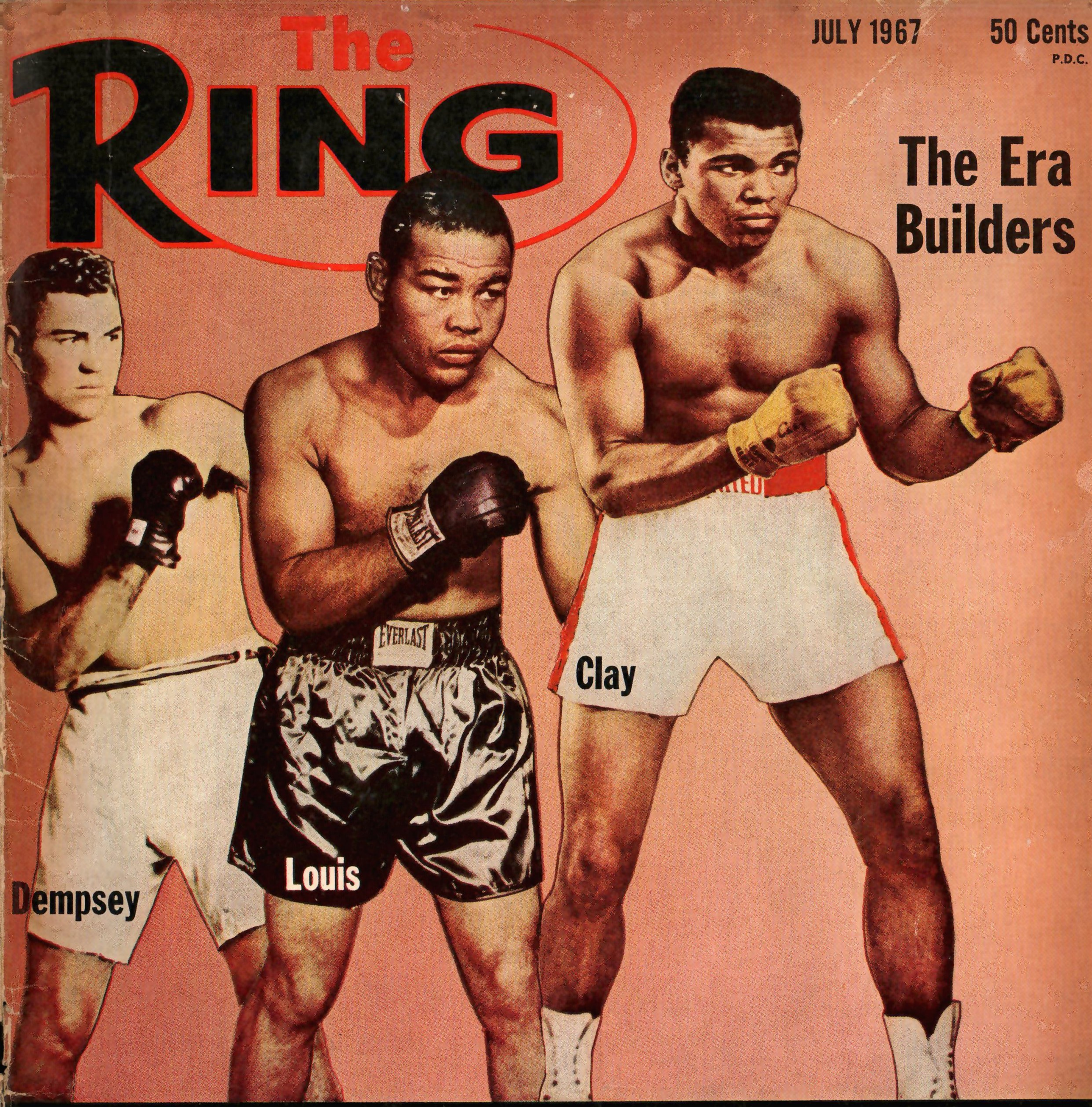

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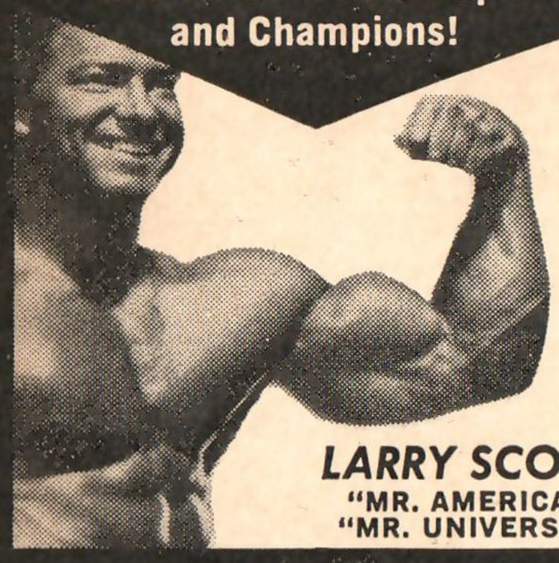

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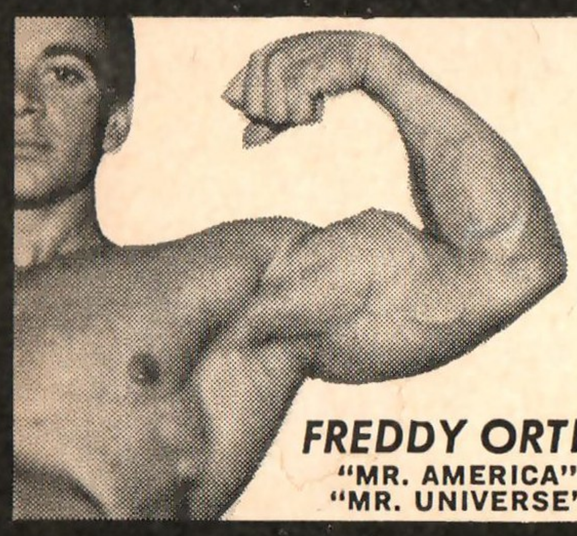

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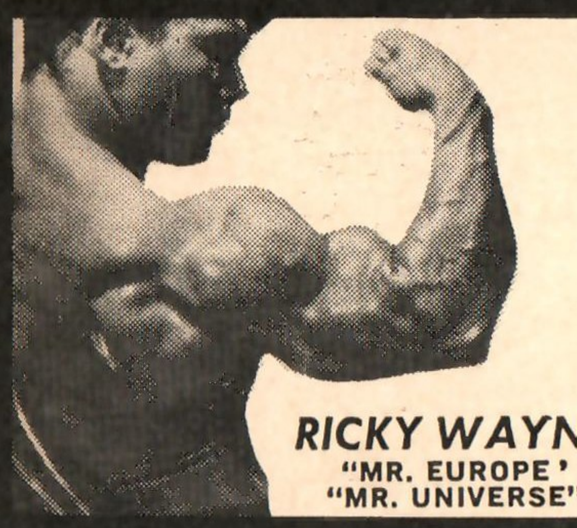

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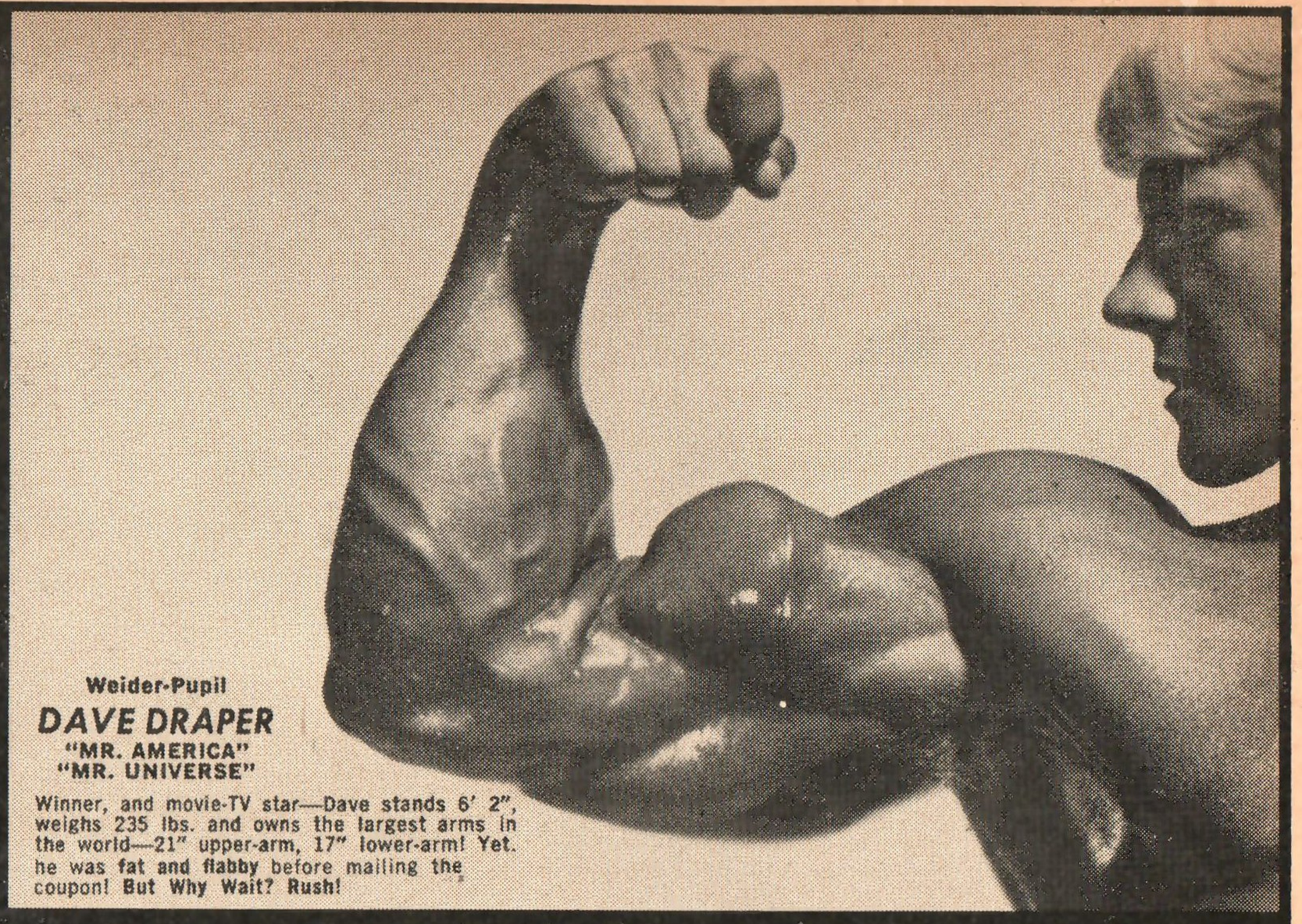

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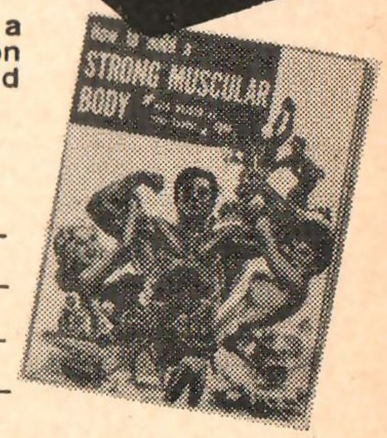

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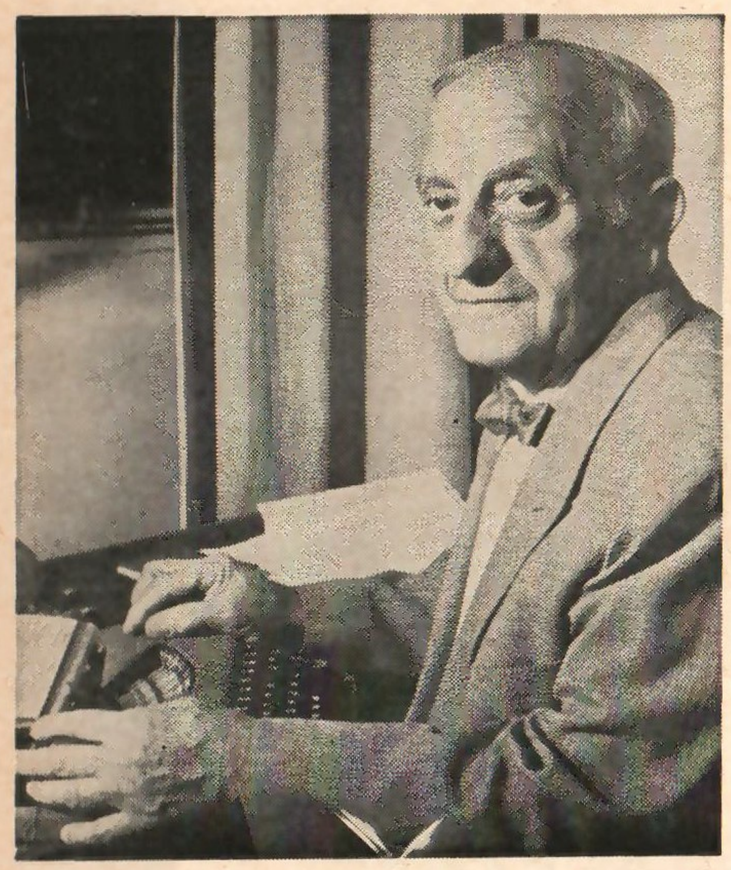


Speaks Out!!!

FLEISCHER

WHEN is a rule not a rule? This question arose twice recently in the councils of the New York Commission. The regulation under discussion forbids return matches.

The rule was bypassed when Eddie Dooley's group approved Jose Torres' effort to recover the world light heavyweight title from Dick Tiger.

Then came Emile Griffith's upset defeat, by unanimous decision, in his middleweight championship defense against Nino Benvenuti, of Italy.

It developed that the managers of the two fighters had entered into a return match pact. This was not approved by Dooley and his associates, Raymond J. Lee and Albert T. Berkowitz, Eddie insisted. But—it came about.

Strict interpretation of the rules would have negated both the Tiger-Torres and Benvenuti-Griffith "once again" agreements. There was a special reason for negating the Torres return because, after his poor showing against Tiger, the Puerto Rican was taken off the physically able list by Dooley.

The Benvenuti-Griffith return match was approved in spite of the fact that Howie Albert, one of Emile's managers, in association with Gil Clancy, had admitted the existence of the agreement even before the fight was fought in the Garden.

When I asked Dooley to explain his bypassing the no-return rule, he replied, "This commission will approve no more return matches.

"Why did we let Benvenuti and Griffith make their pact? Well, for USA interest, and for patriotic reasons, as well. We do not like to see world titles leave the United States.

"I will say this,—Griffith and Benvenuti had no return match agreement on file with the New York Commission when they entered the Garden ring."

Let it be noted that Dooley did not gainsay the fact that the New York Commission stands committed to an international pact against return matches, which at times, as in the case of Benvenuti and Griffith, are justified by results in the original meeting, and by international interest.

Let it be noted, also, and placed on the record, that Dooley, Lee and Berkowitz henceforth will adhere to the no-return regulation. So says Eddie.

I extended my investigations into the chairmanship tenure of Gen. Melvin Krulewitch on the New York Commission, which preceded the advent of Dooley. The general said:

"There is a ground rule in the New York Commission policy files against return matches.

"I always asked Harry Markson and Teddy Brenner, of Madison Square Garden, if they were parties to a return pact, and no exceptions were called for.

"The rule forbidding return matches is argueable, but it unquestionably is a good one for boxing.

"You will recollect that boxing executives from all over the world met in Mexico some years ago, and adopted the no-return rule.

"Harry Falk, of California, and I drew up the rule, and it was approved by the New York and California commissions, as well as others, and by the British Board of Boxing Control, the Oriental Federation, the WBA, and the European Boxing Union.

"There was emphatic unanimity on the subject. But there have been deviations, not all of them sound ones."

It might have been wise if Benvenuti had been asked to meet Don Fullmer befor tackling Griffith again. Don holds a decision over Griffith and made things unpleasant for Nino in Italy, where, they say, it is not easy to win over him.

However, the Benvenuti victory over Griffith by a 9-5-1 margin, with referee Mark Conn calling it 10 and 5, created an unusual situation which justified some leeway in the interpretation of the international pact. It is understood that there may be exceptional reasons for an occasional return match.

Did the existence of a return fight agreement have any influence on Griffith? I don't believe so. He has deteriorated in the last two years. His legs are suspect, while Nino is fast on his pins, fast with his hands, and possessed of recuperative powers which enabled him to recover from the knockdown which draped him over the ropes and into a tumble.

Did Benvenuti learn so much more about Griffith's style and methods that he will do an even more thorough job the next time?

Did Griffith learn enough about Nino's methods to justify a feeling that he will have a good chance to turn the tables on the Italian?

The answers may trace to Nino's speed and legs. Griffith is 29, veteran of 60 fights, a former champion in two divisions.

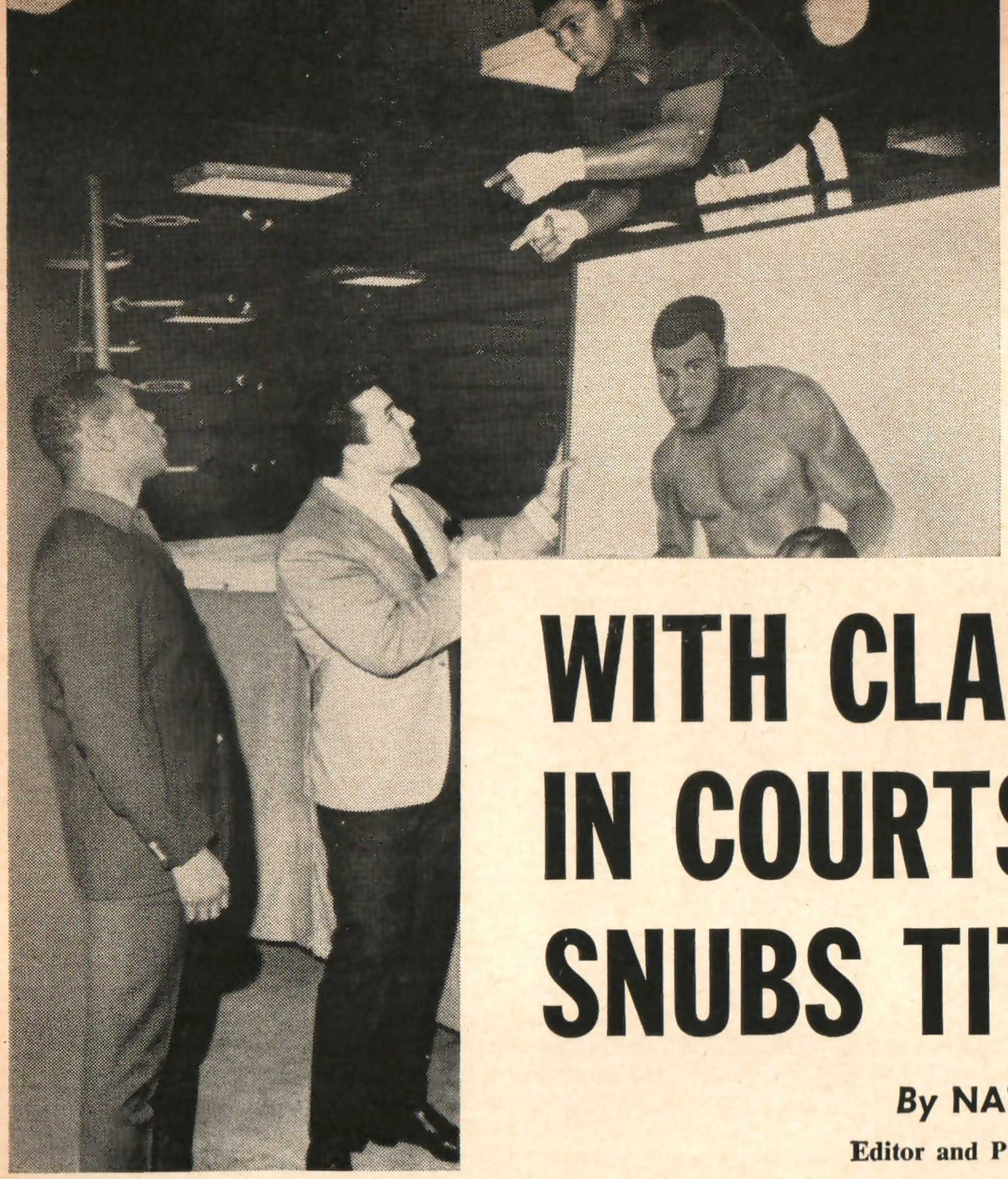
Benvenuti is no younger than Emile, and has been even more active than the Virgin Islander. But, physically, Nino is the better equipped for the fifteen round distance. Against the Italian, Griffith pooped out after the tenth.

Dooley's concern about world titles leaving the United States is well founded. With the middleweight championship going to Italy, only three of the ten titles are held in this country, the heavyweight by Cassius Muhammad, the lightweight by Carlos Ortiz, native of Puerto Rico, and the welterweight by Curtis Cokes.

Passage of the middleweight championship out of the USA is nothing new.

In the modern era, Marcel Cerdan, of France, took the title from Tony Zale in Jersey City in 12 rounds.

Benvenuti is the first Italian to win a world championship in the United States in a trip made expressly for that one fight.



Cassius Clay, in the ring, stops training long enough to exchange in gay badinage with Thad Spencer, on left, and George Chuvalo, who stood up to him for fifteen rounds.

WITH CLAY APPEAL IN COURTS, RING SNUBS TITLE STRIP

By NAT FLEISCHER

Editor and Publisher of The Ring

WITH Cassius Clay-Muhammad Ali in serious trouble with Federal authorities as a consequence of his refusal to honor the call of the United States to join its armed forces as a physically and mentally eligible draft registrant of age 25, The Ring Magazine must take a stand on the heavyweight champion of the world and his title.

The first reaction to the situation is to sidetrack Cassius, support the edict of the New York Boxing Commission, Edwin B. Dooley, chairman, that he has forfeited the championship, and to take the easy way out.

However, Clay's appeal against the draft is in the courts of the United States and we Americans always have been strong supporters of the due process of law.

While the case lacks determination, while the questions of Clay's guilt as a possible draft dodger, or exoneration on the grounds, which he has been pursuing in the courts, that he is a Moslem preacher, it would be eminently unfair to support his being stripped of the title.

As a war veteran, as a lifelong supporter of law and order, as a foe of rabble rousing and waving of the Bloody Shirt, and unceasing supporter of the belief that a title must be won or lost only in the ring, I find it impossible to back up Dooley and other "title strippers," at this time.

If the courts find Clay-Muhammad guilty of a felony in refusing to take the oath and refusal to serve, The Ring Magazine will not hesitate to withdraw its support of the Black Muslim as the world champion.

When the New York Commission, jumping the gun, announced that "it had stripped Clay of the title" and cancelled his license to fight in that state, and was prepared to sponsor an eight-man elimination tournament to develop a successor, Dooley said that he had the backing of the British Board of Boxing Control and the World Boxing Association.

However, investigation failed to reveal complete authenticity, at that time. Up to this issue of The Ring going to press, BBBC and WBA total support of the Dooley belief that he had their title stripping backing was yet to develop.

A cable to J. Onslow Fane, president of the British Board, brought an answer in which he indicates that he would support title stripping if the champion were to be committed to jail.

From Bob Evans, president of the WBA, came the word that while he personally favored title stripping, he had to poll the 45 member states and organizations before he could establish a WBA policy on Clay.

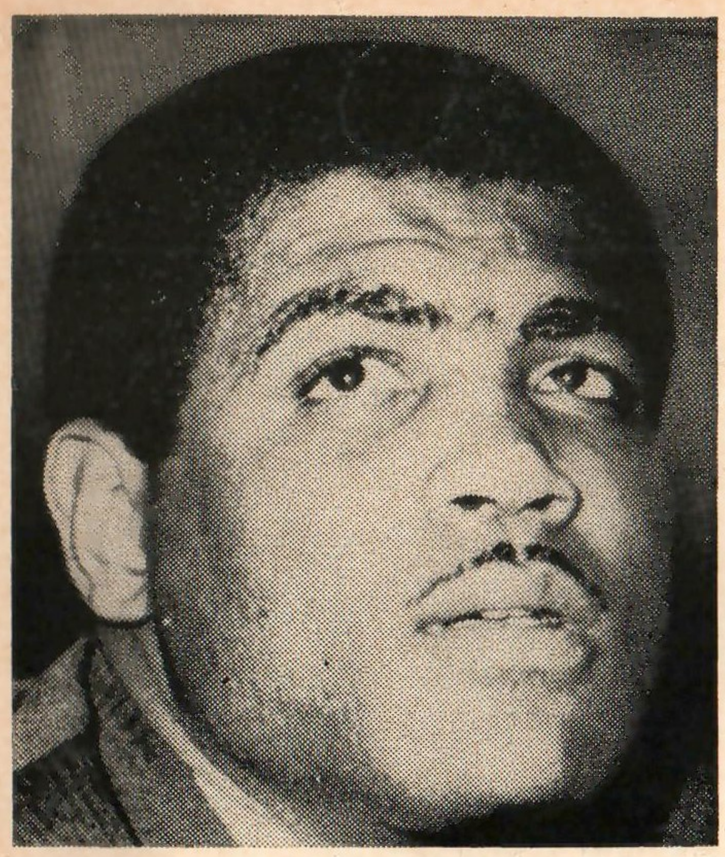
Piero Pini, secretary of the European Boxing Union, notified The Ring Magazine that he was in favor of vacating the crown if Clay were found guilty in court.

From The Ring's decision to defer definite action on Cassius pending the outcome of his various and desperate appeals through Hayden Covington, his resourceful lawyer, nobody is to infer that this publication, or I personally, condone Muhammad's actions, his association with the Black Muslims, his refusal to join the Army, or his outrageously indecent emanations concerning the USA as his native land, and his unpatriotic stand in general.

If it were possible, the situation could be solved best by making Clay announce the name of the nation to which he feels he owes allegiance, and deporting him to that area.

Within six months he would be grovelling in the sands of a desert, on his knees, begging to go back to New York, Houston, his folks in Louisville, and a K.C. steak.

That Muhammad Ali has done things contrary to the best interests of boxing, that he has derogated the champion image, that he has alienated millions of Americans with deep patriotic feelings even if they might be against the war in Viet Nam,



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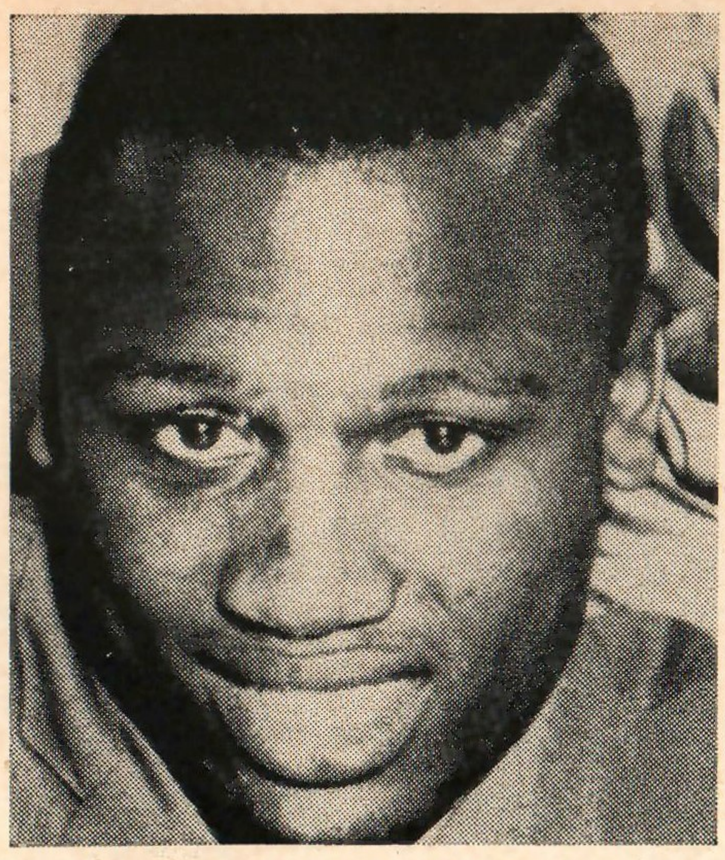

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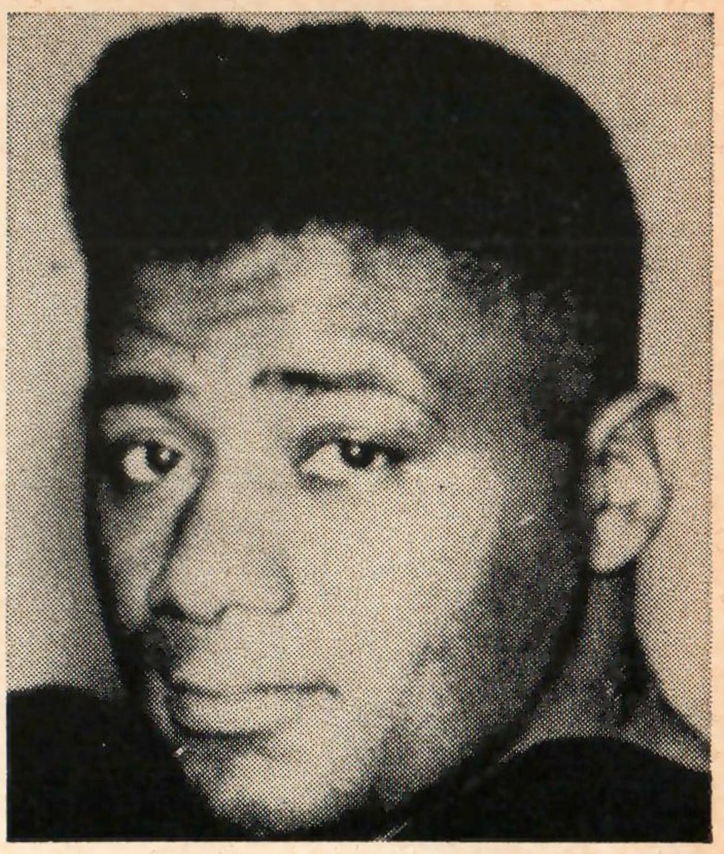

FLOYD PATTERSON

is very self evident.

But, while his case remains to be decided in the courts, I cannot subscribe to the belief that this magazine has the right to declare his title vacant.

There is yet another factor to be considered. The New York Commission, governing a very restricted area of competition composed of Madison Square Garden and its tiny ally, Sunnyside Gardens, certainly is not in a position to make pronouncements regarding world championships.

Clay's title encompasses support from Great Britain, Sweden, which has licensed Sonny Liston, Germany, Italy, Denmark, France, the Orient Federation, Mexico, Central and South America, with stress on the Argentine, and other areas.

To strip a world champion of his title and announce impending organization of an elimination tournament, would call for far greater authority than now is inherent in the world boxing government.

Clay's attack on the effort to make him join our armed forces has had far too many dodges.

He started off pleading financial distress, and support of his parents. This died.

He then shifted to an insistence that he was a conscientious objector. This, too, died and he made a change in lawyers and form of attack.

On top of this came the allegation that he was a lay preacher of the Moslem faith. He attacked the ethnic composition of his Louisville draft board. He pleaded inability to shoot at any enemy the United States might be attacking. He aspersed the United States.

A serious indictment of Cassius Clay-Muhammad Ali, what with one thing and another. A professional fighter who professed to be against firing off a gun! That he would have been forced to fire a gun if he had joined the Army is open to question, even doubt.

With all this, The Ring and I contest the claim that pending adjudication of his appeals, his championship can be taken from him.

I personally, and the Ring, are very much for a heavyweight elimination tournament, to produce either a No. 1 contender or, should Cassius go to jail, a new champion.

It would be unwise to clutter up the field with nonentities. Ernie Terrell, Floyd Patterson, Karl Mildenberger, Thad Spencer and Joe Frazier might constitute the front rank. Behind them, Ringo Bonavena, George Chuvalo and Manuel Ramos.

That Jimmy Ellis qualifies because he knocked out light heavyweight Johnny Persol, has to be regarded as doubtful.

A syndicate headed by Roy Hofheinz, of Houston, in alliance with ABC television, Al Bolan, of the Patterson camp, and Main Bout, Inc., plans a tournament.

New York's Garden, Harry Markson, director, seeks to arrange matches as it sees fit. Frazier, who had ten rounds of trouble with Scrap Iron Johnson recently, wants to stay out and wait for a contender, a right he is not entitled to demand.

The Hofheinz group would pay a quarter finals fighter $50,000, a semi finalist

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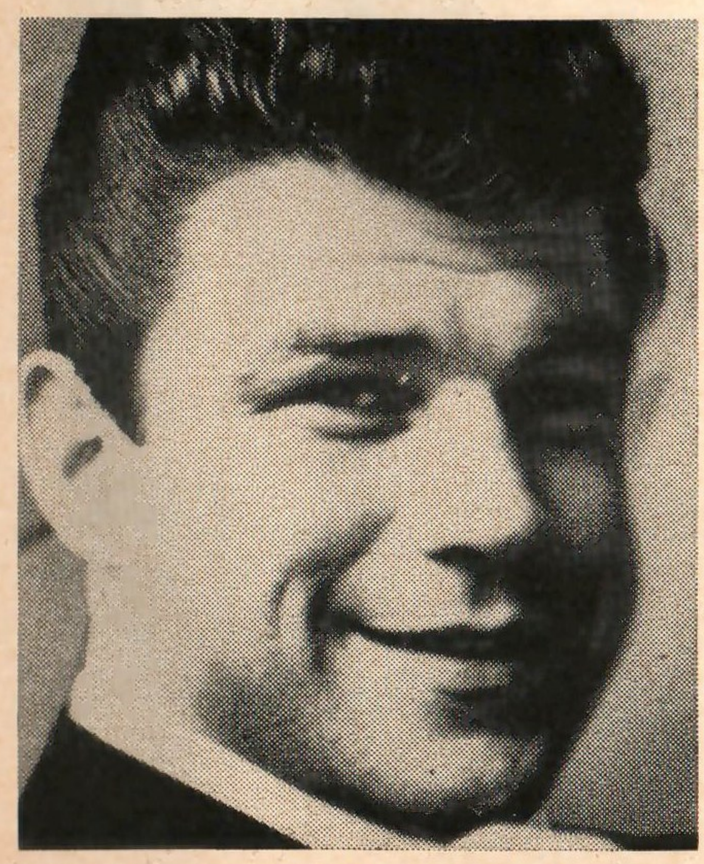

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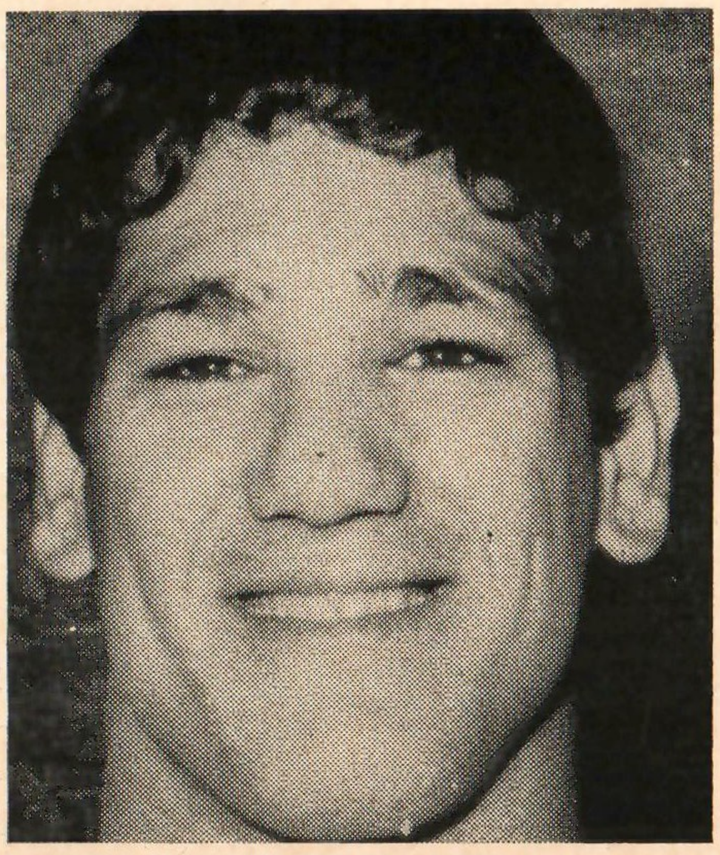

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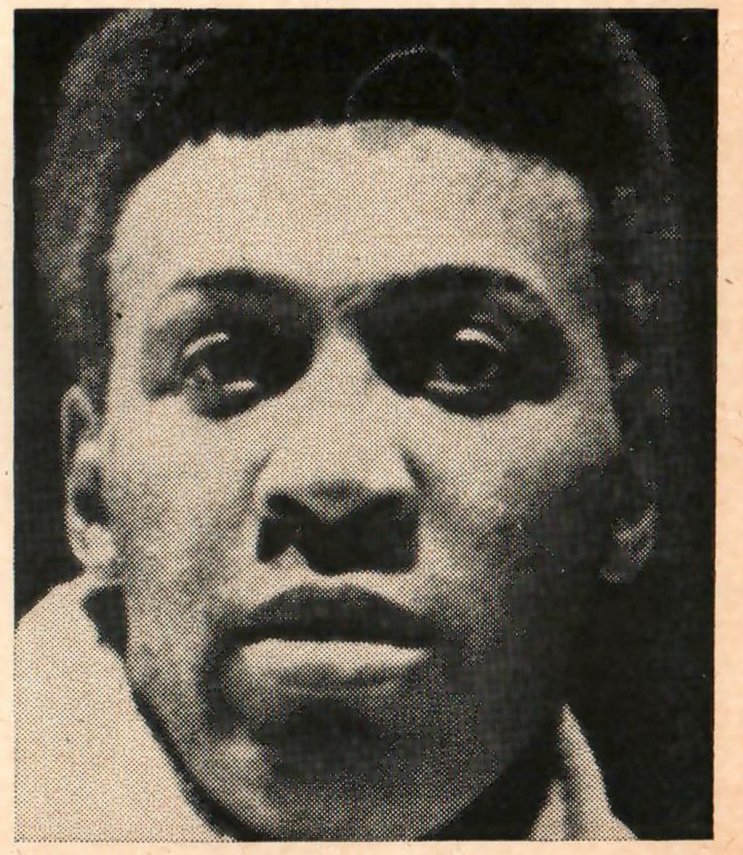
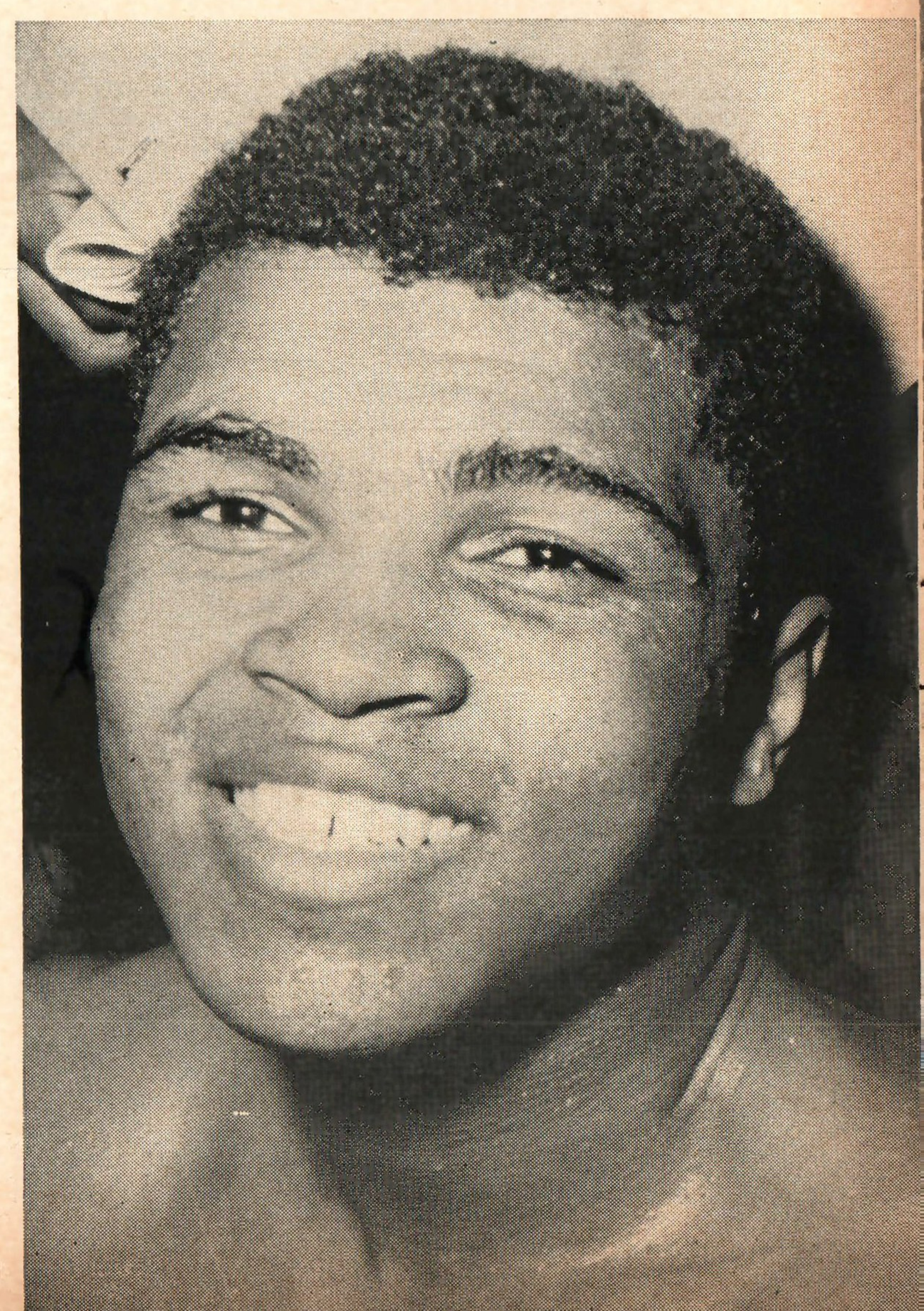


JIMMY ELLIS

Who Will Be New Pilot of Expansion Era For Heavies?

This is what Jack Dempsey looked like after he had belted the world's heavyweight title out of gigantic Jess Willard in super-heated Toledo in 1919.



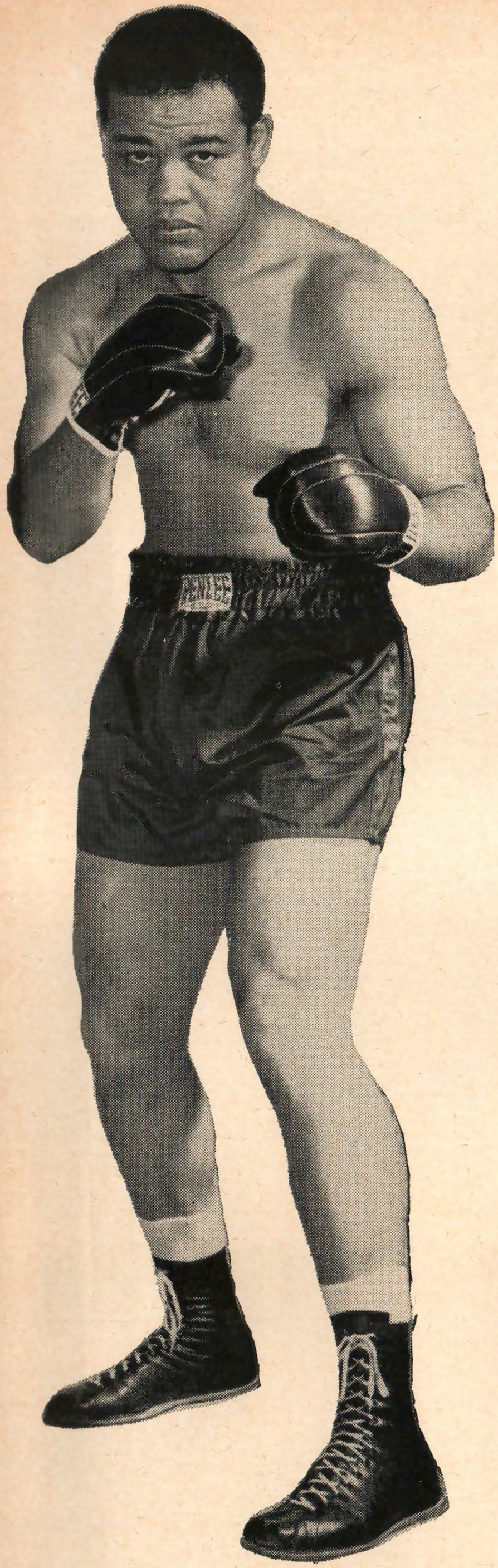
Smiling, carefree Cassius Clay after he had nosed out Doug Jones in New York in March 1963, and before he had got himself messed up with membership in the Black Muslims.

By DAN DANIEL

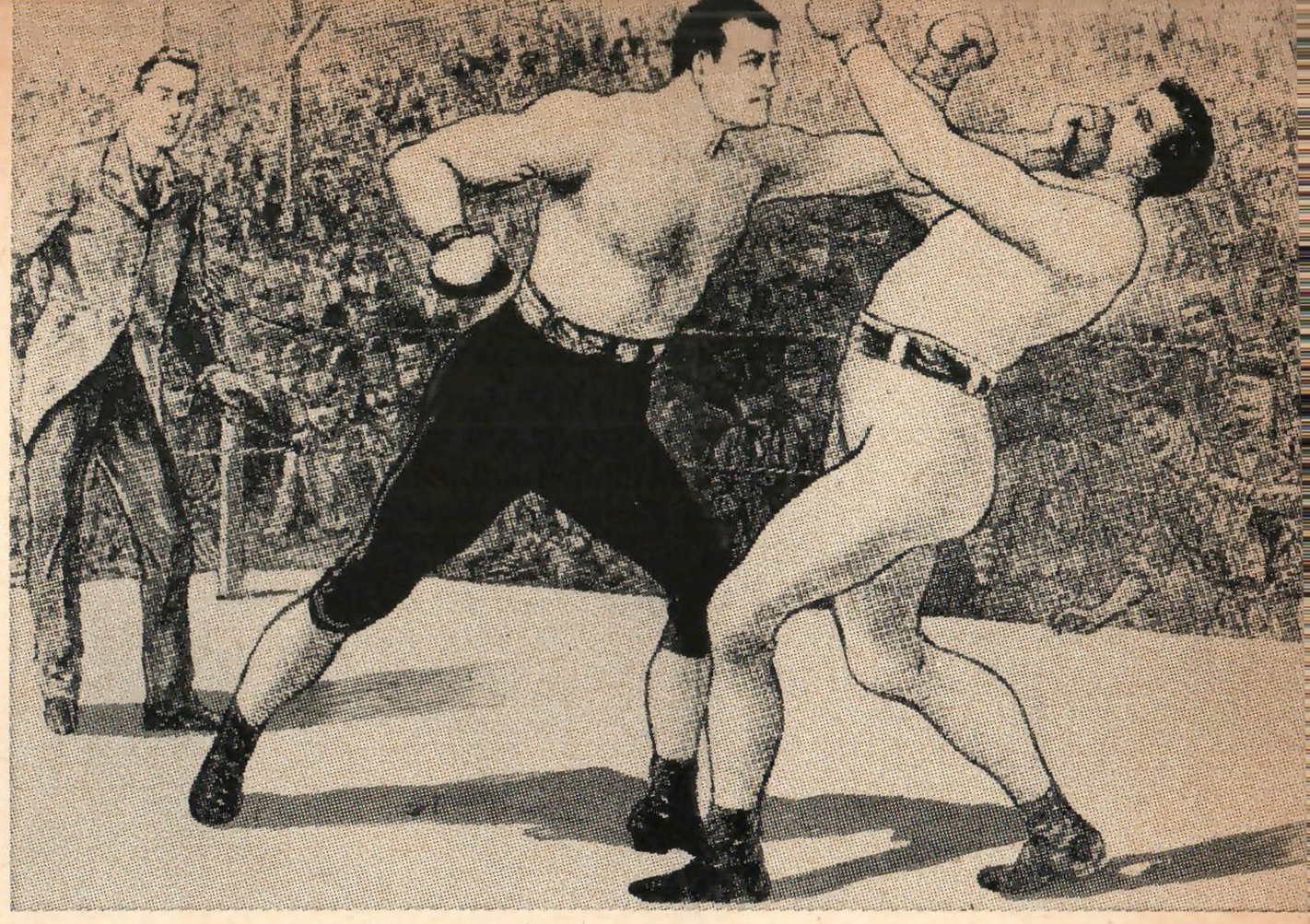
TO WHOM are we to look for extension of the Era of Recovery which Cassius Clay-Muhammad Ali brought about in boxing, or perhaps to initiate a new and even more prosperous and soundly based period spearheaded by a more universally popular heavyweight?

This question poses itself with the apparent certainty that, for obvious reasons, Cassius is to move into an extended layoff, while new contenders for public attention, among them Joe Frazier, Thad Spencer, Manuel Ramos, Buster Mathis and Jerry Quarry press their claims and advance their causes.

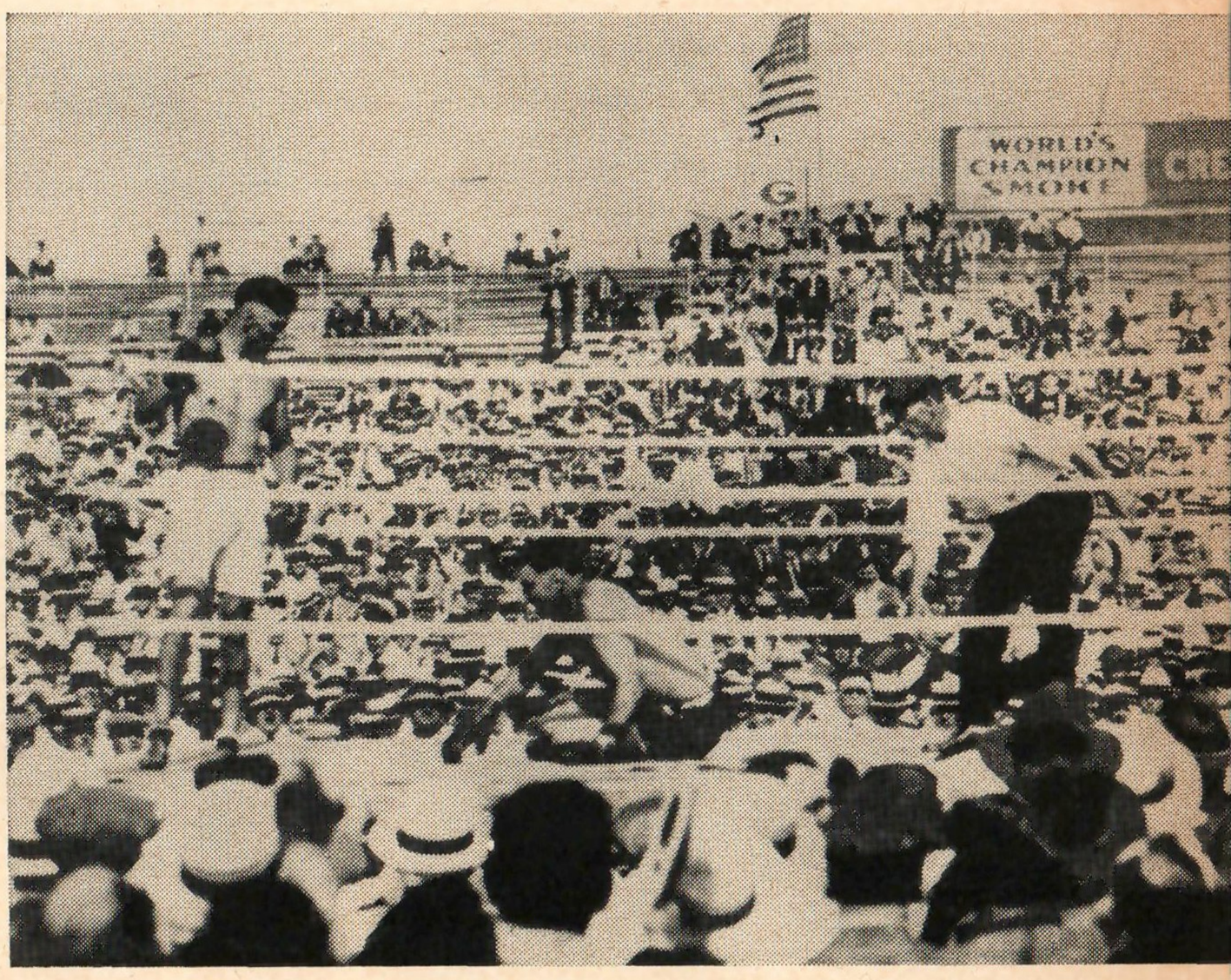
Whether you like Clay or not, the fact remains that he performed for boxing a tremendous benefice similar to that which Babe Ruth achieved for baseball, when he restored public confidence which had been shaken seriously by the Black Sox Scandal.



Joe Louis as he looked back in the days when he won the heavyweight championship from Jim Braddock, and under the promotional aegis of Mike Jacobs built a super-era.



The end of the Bare Knuckle Days and the start of the Glove Era, at New Orleans in 1892. It so happens that John L. Sullivan is shooting a left to Jim Corbett's jaw, but James stopped the Boston Strong Boy in the twenty-first round.



The scene is the pine arena Tex Rickard built at Toledo for the Dempsey-Willard fight in 1919. Willard is taking a count from Referee Ollie Pecord in the first round. 245-pound Jess failed to come out for the fourth.

Like history, boxing annals divide themselves into periods which present their characteristic points of interest, and benefit or derogation. These eras classify themselves in this way:

1— The Era of Bare Knuckles and London Prize Ring Rules, featured by the achievements of John Lawrence Sullivan, the Boston Strong Boy.

2— The Era of Reconstruction, in which the bare knuckle game disappeared. This opened with Jim Corbett's knockout victory over Sullivan in New Orleans on September 7, 1892, in 21 rounds. It was the first heavyweight title fight in which gloves were used.

3—The Rickard Era of high prosperity, tracing to the development of a tremendously popular heavyweight champion, Jack Dempsey, appearance of Tex's 600 Millionaires among our

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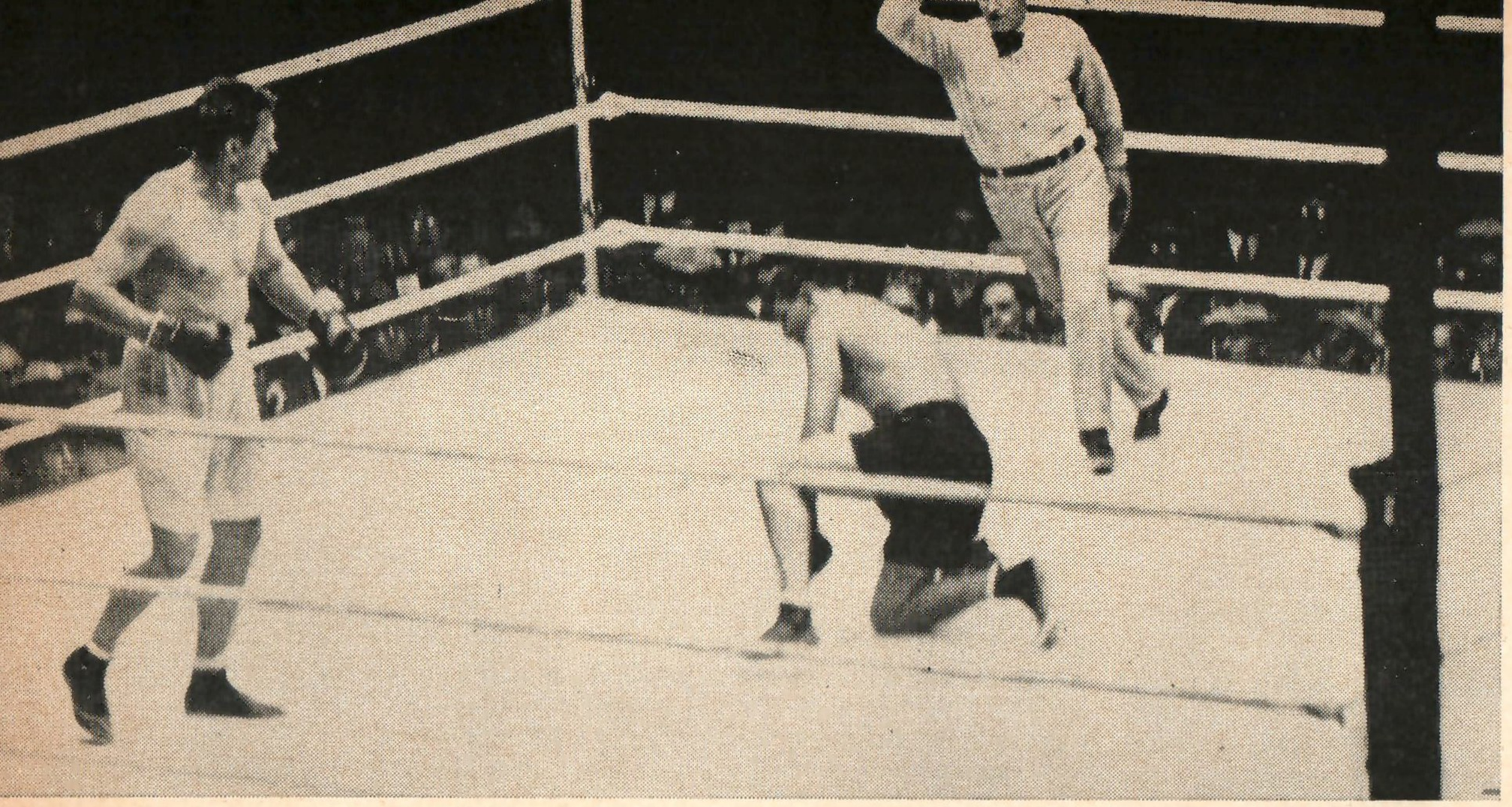
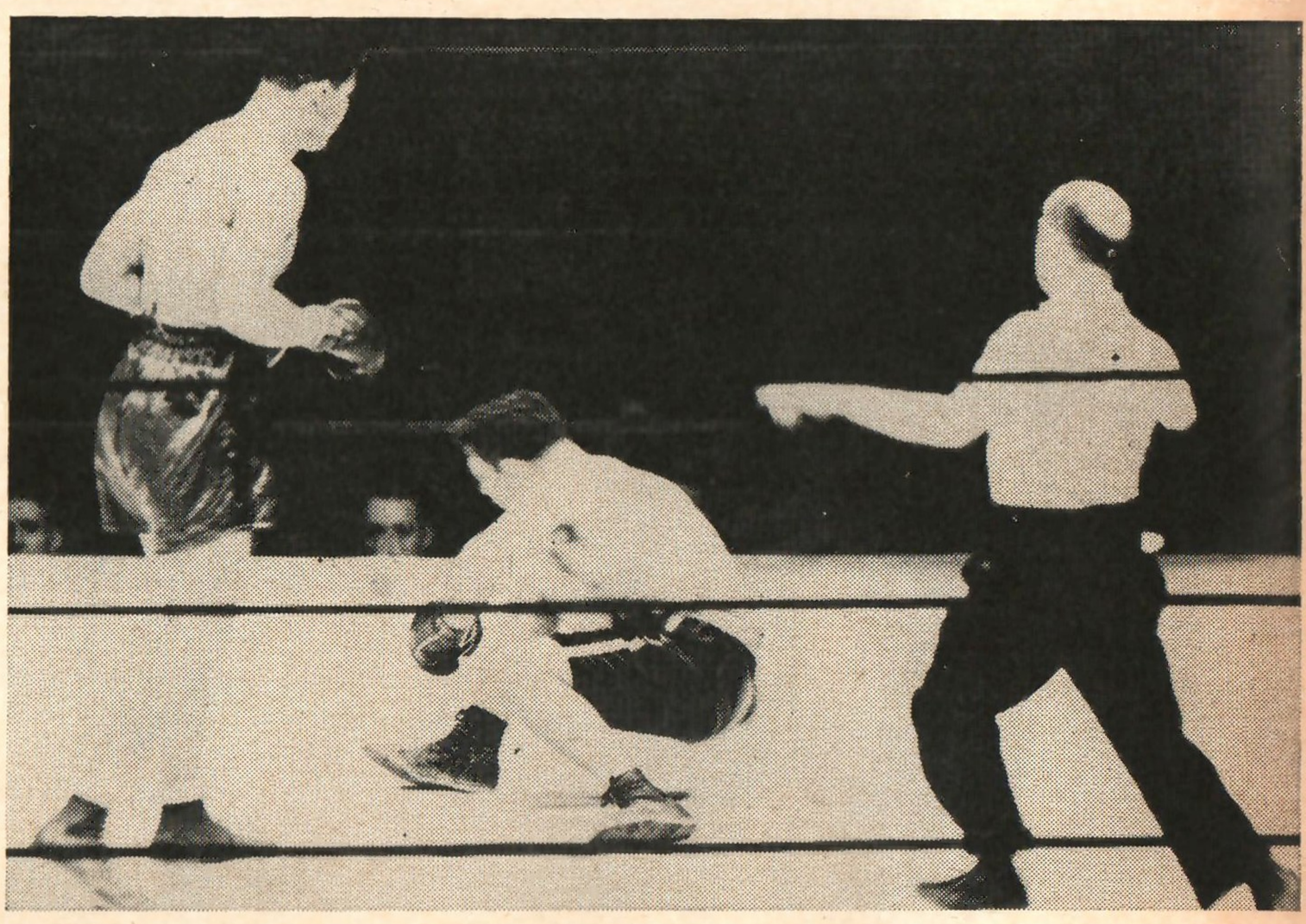
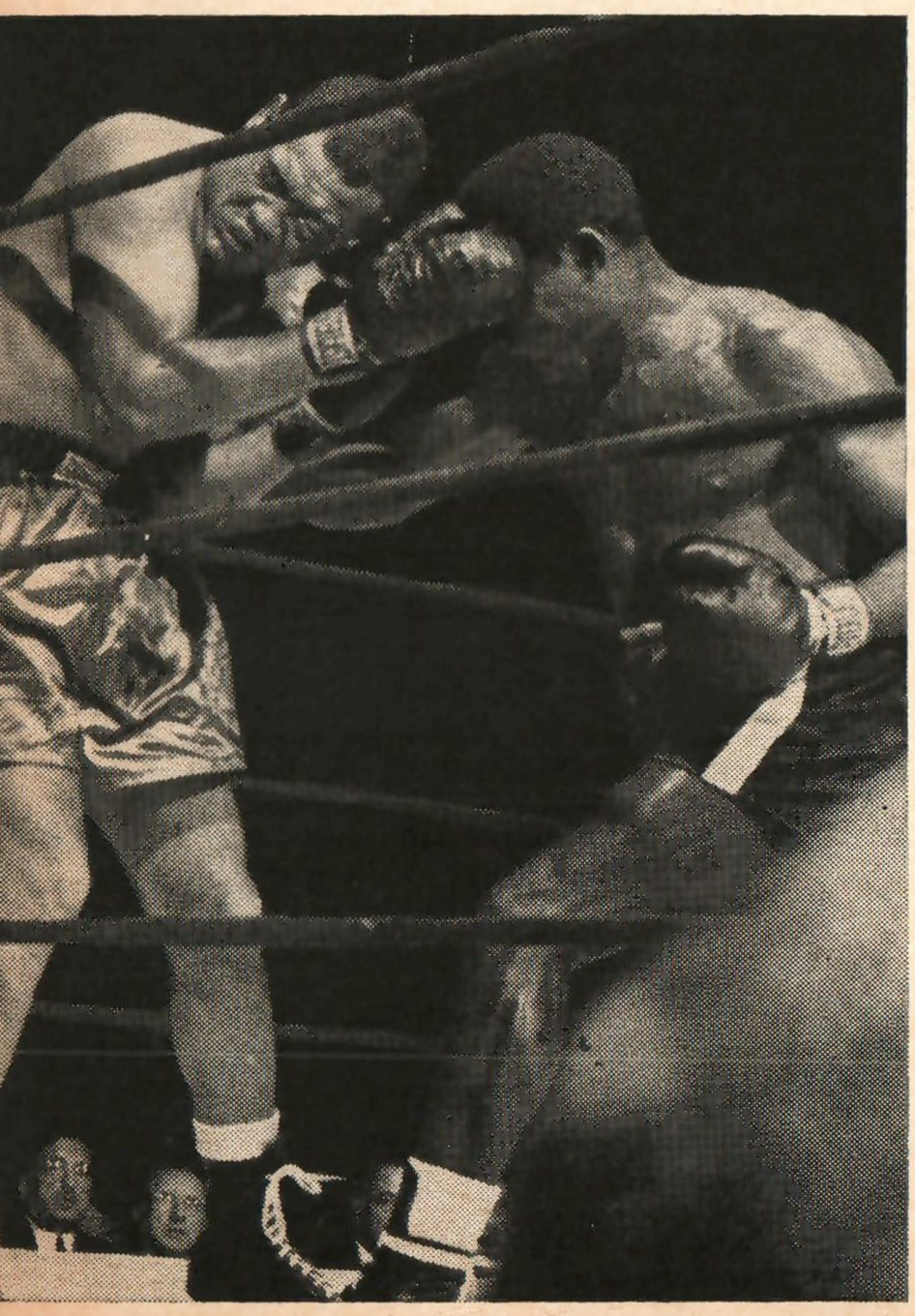


Gene Tunney, already world champion, has Dempsey on the canvas in the eighth round of their return fight, in Chicago on September 22, 1927. Jack lost the decision. It was the Battle of the Long Count.

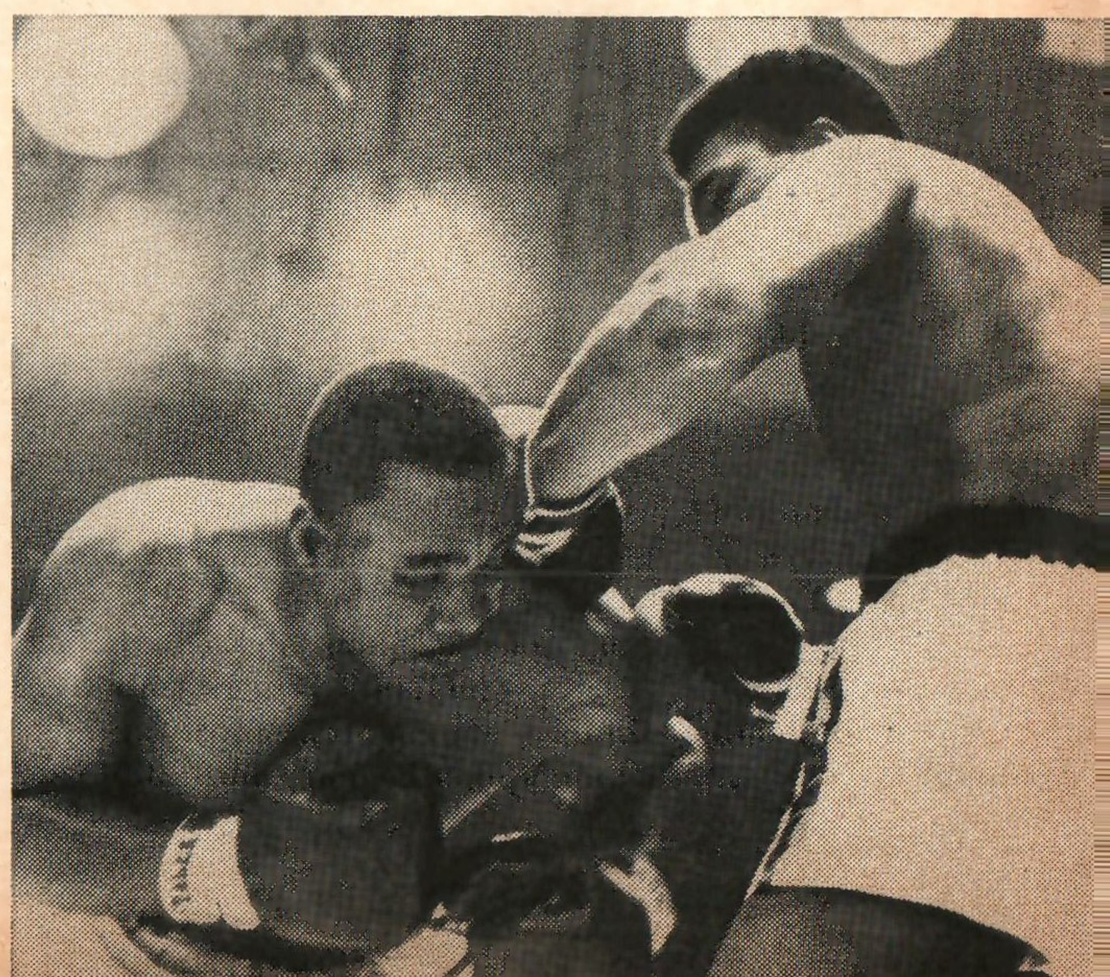
Joe Louis approaches the heavyweight title on the night of June 22, 1937, in Chicago. He just has decked Jim Braddock, who will take the full count. It is the eighth round. Ten seconds later Joe had undisputed possession of the heavyweight title.

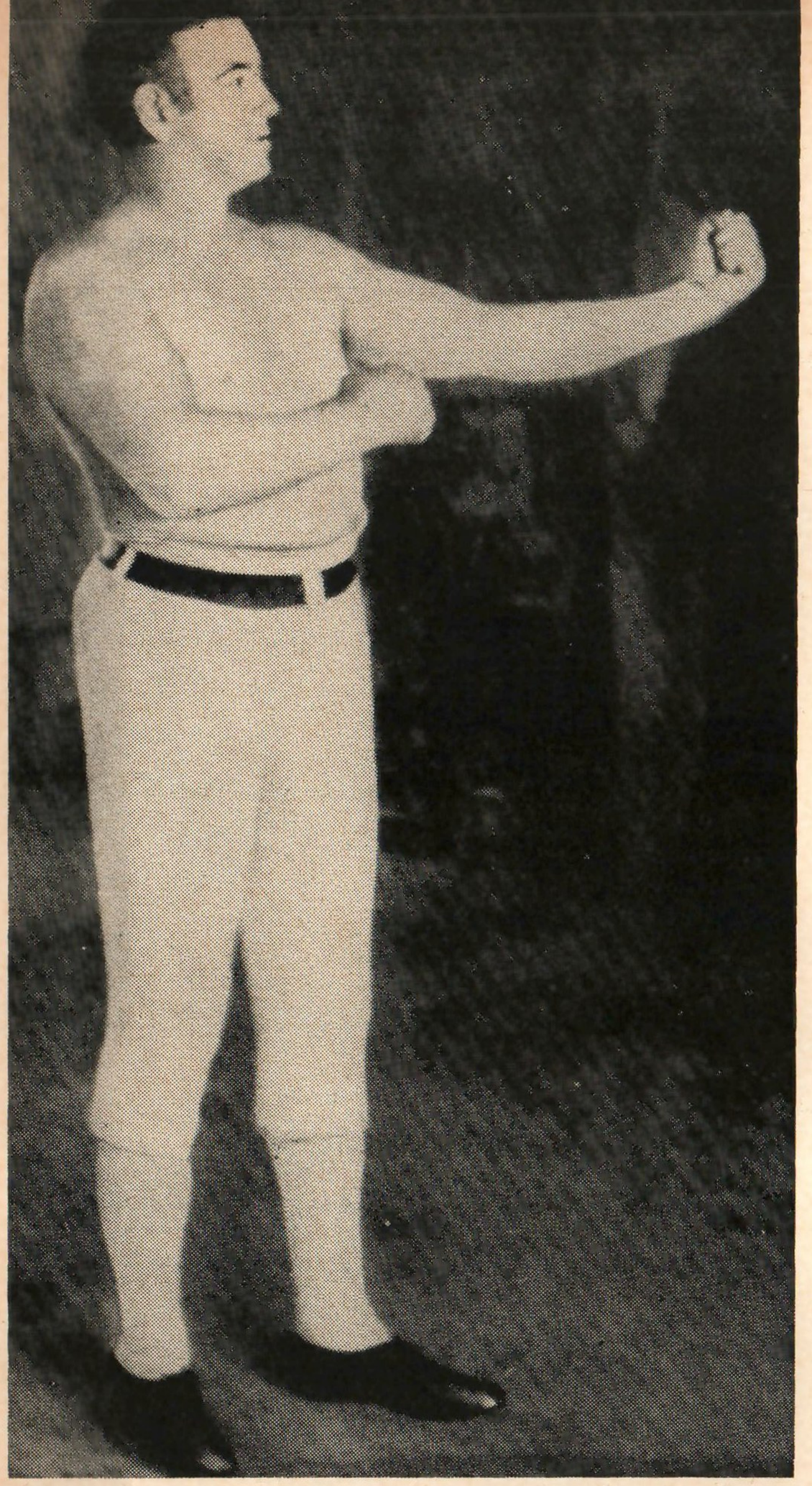


The date is September 27, 1950, the locale is Yankee Stadium. Ezzard Charles is in process of gaining a cleancut decision over aged Joe Louis and achieving undisputed possession of the heavyweight title.

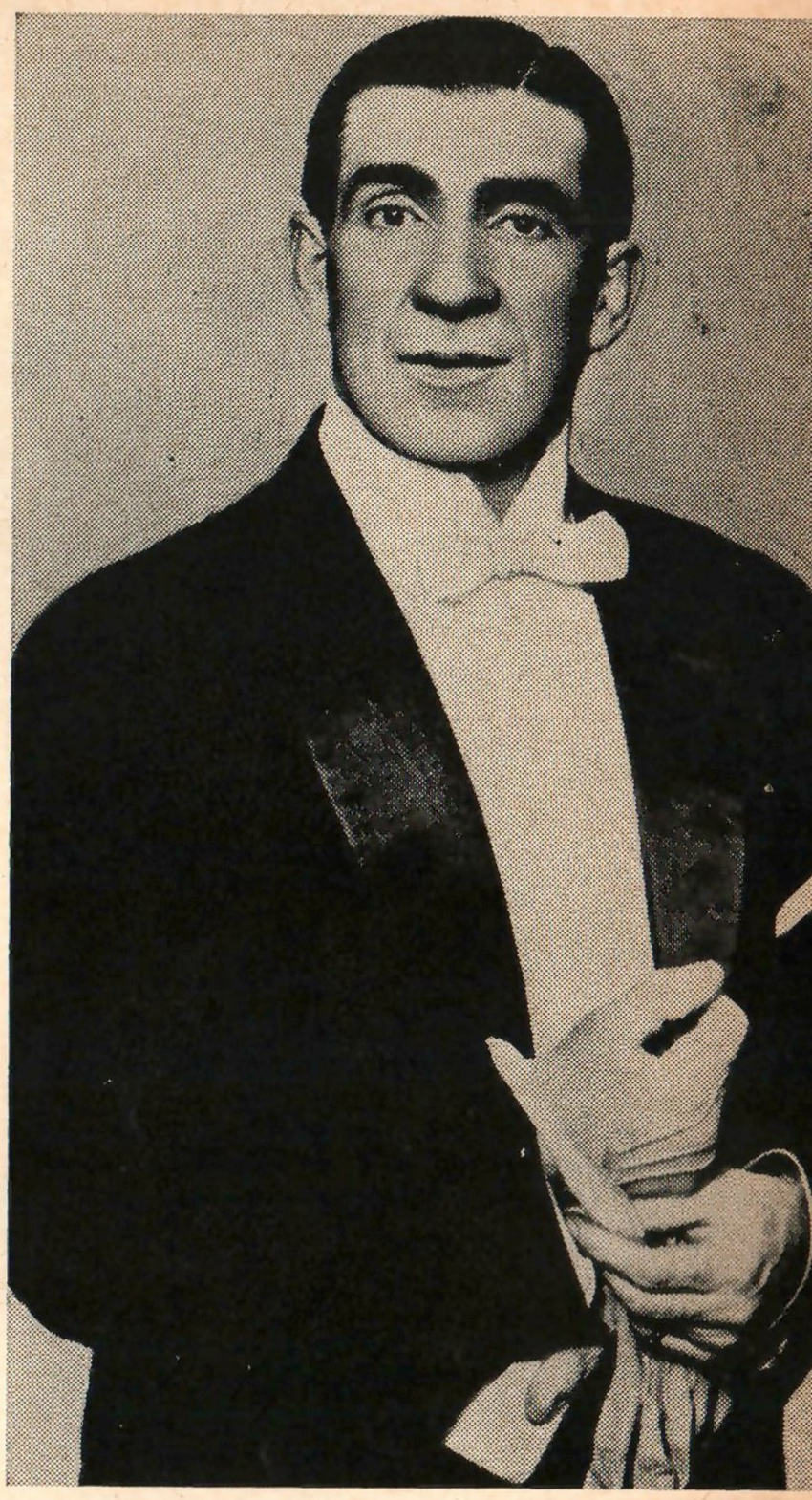


The Clay Era gets under way at Miami Beach. Cassius is about to gain the championship with Sonny Liston sitting in his corner, deaf to the bell calling him for Round 7. Clay looked shaky in the fifth. But Sonnyboy outshook him in the sixth.





John Lawrence Sullivan, champion from 1882 until 1892, poses in his backyard in Boston. John still is in fair shape and some distance from his 1892 paunch.



Here is the clever, suave, crafty and fast-moving James J. Corbett, the former bank clerk of San Francisco as he looked in his championship days. He did some play acting on the side.

Ooh, look how big and strong Jess Willard is! He is about to start training in Yonkers for his May 1923 fight with Floyd Johnson, whom he stopped in 11. In July, Firpo starched Jess in eight, and he wisely retired. Willard was champ from 1915 to 1919.

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ring fans, and development of the Million Dollar Gate.

4— The Jacobs Era of Big Money, stemming from the rise of Joe Louis as the world champion.

5— The Era of Recovery, growing out of Cassius Clay's taking the world championship from Sonny Liston, whose sun rose with two first round knockouts of Floyd Patterson, and set with two knockout defeats by Muhammad Ali.

Boxing interest sank alarmingly after Clay had stopped Liston virtually with one punch at Lewiston, Me., on May 25, 1965. But the game went on a spectacular rebound.

One thing, if nothing else, must be said about Clay and his fistic progress. He has not been involved in a fight of questionable honesty. The knockout of Liston at Miami Beach in seven rounds and the one round stoppage of Sonnyboy in Maine were on the level. Muhammad's record will stand investigation and analysis.

It is to be regretted that Clay let himself get involved with the Black Muslims.

The Ring has received several hundred letters from readers who confuse the the issue incredibly.

The Black Muslims are supposed to be Moslems. Any Christian or Jew who wants to convert to Mohammedanism is free to follow the religious dictates of his conscience. But there

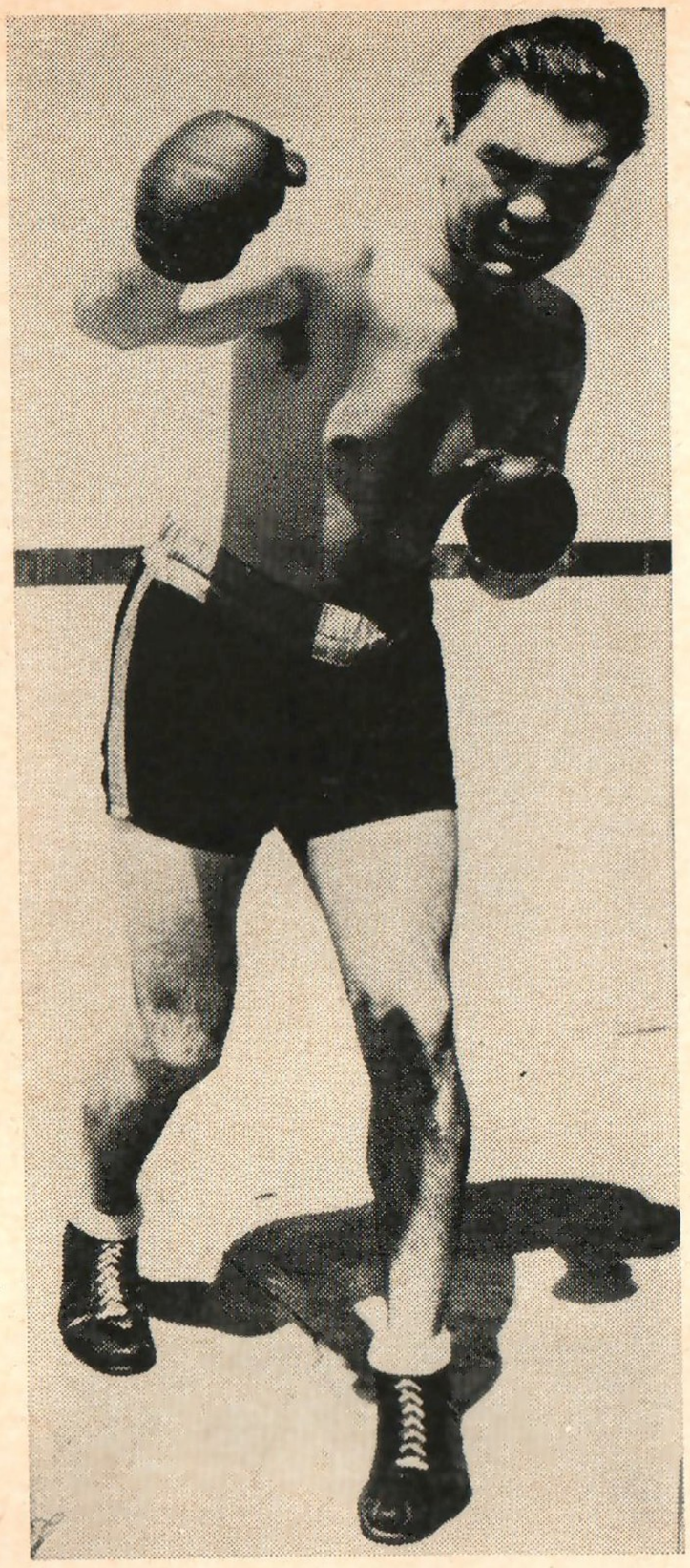
is a wide gap between Moslems, as such, and Black Muslims.

Nor did Muhammad Ali advance his cause with most of the fight fans by protesting his being drafted into the Army. He would have done himself and boxing a great service if he had accepted the call, just as Louis respected his urge to join the Army in 1942, after having donated his parts of the receipts of his fights with Buddy Baer and Abe Simon in New York that year to the Navy and Army Relief Funds.

However, with all the handicaps Clay threw in his own way, he did perform vast benefices to boxing and help richly to restore public confidence and interest in boxing.

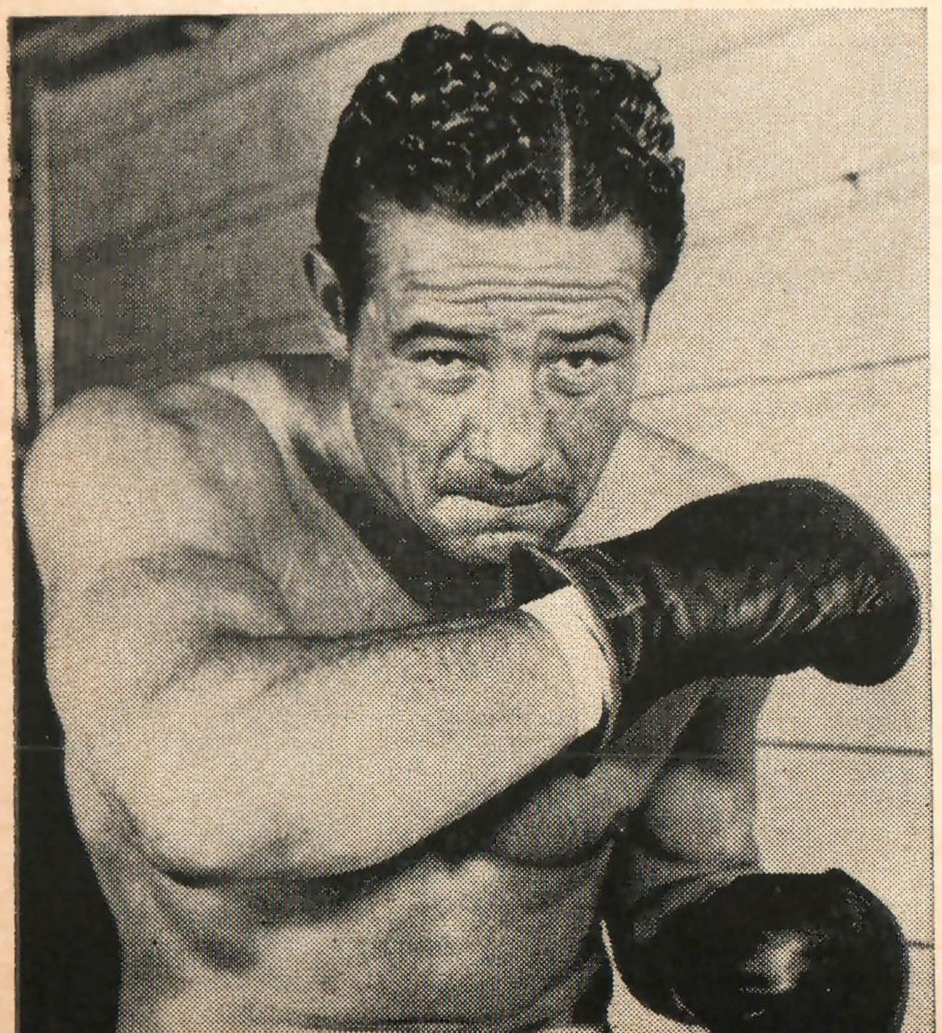
It is intensely interesting to study the five eras into which heavyweight history divides itself and to trace the impulses thrown into these periods by the great boxers associated with them.

If, as is certain, Clay has to move out of the limelight, the heavyweight situation will develop an activity which has not characterized it while Clay and his domination have held sway.

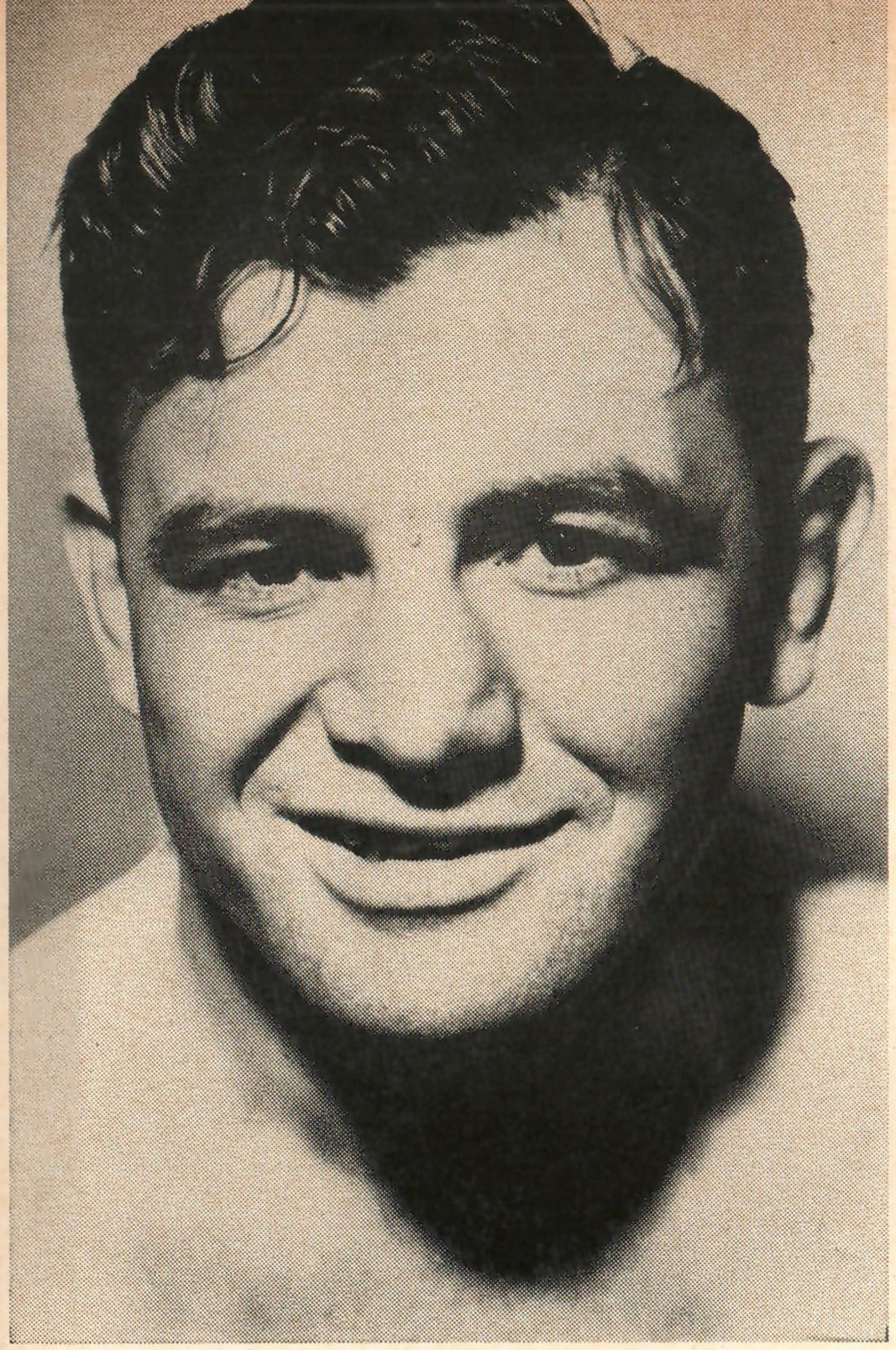


Just imagine this one, will ye! This is Max Schmeling, of Germany, and believe it or not, he is the world's heavyweight champion. This is in 1930, after he had beaten Jack Sharkey in four, on a foul.

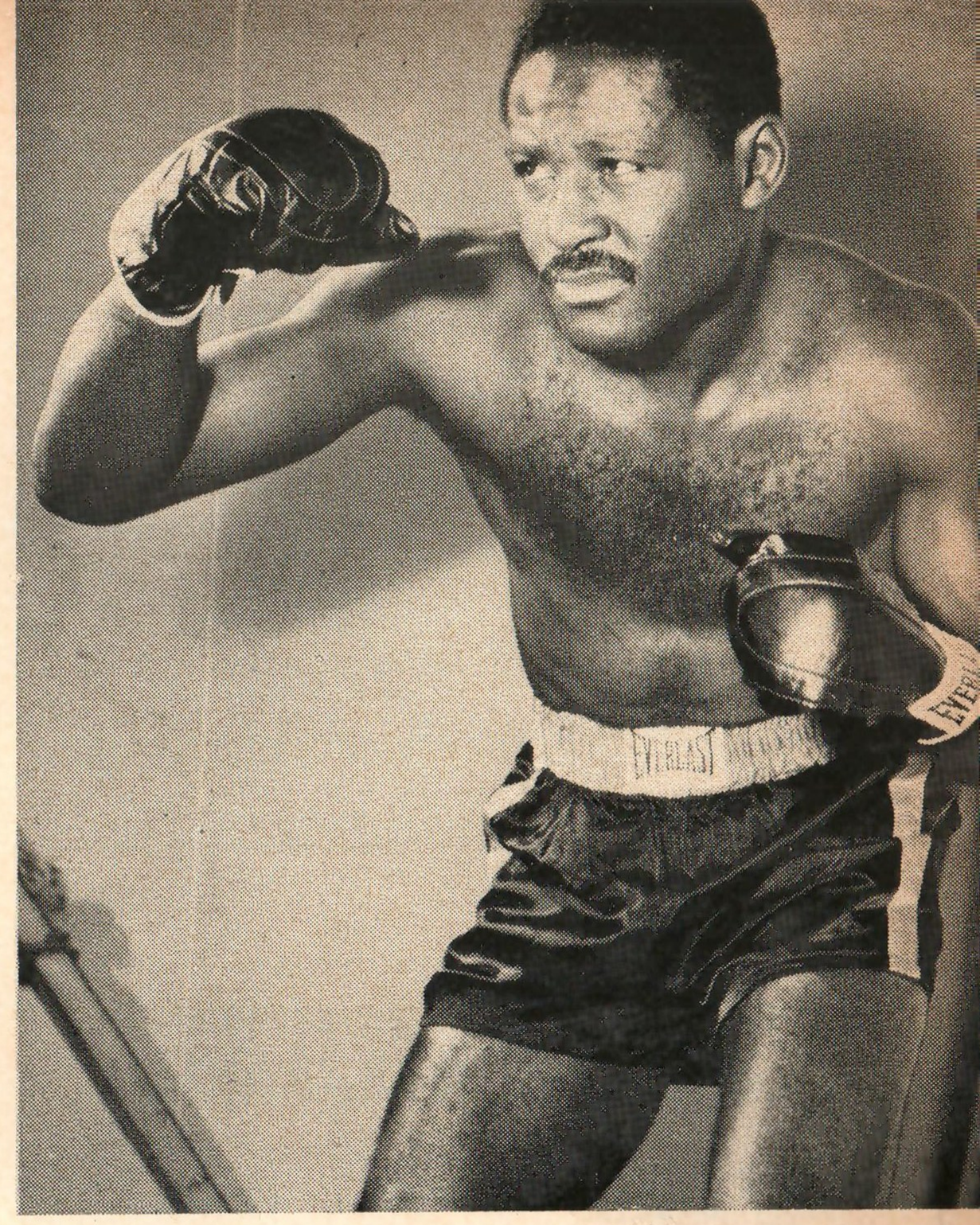
Jack Sharkey—on left, of course—and ponderous, prognathous Primo Carnera just have weighed in for their June 29, 1933, fight in New York. The Italian Alp stopped the Bostonian in six rounds and became the world title holder. Yes, Wilfred, it was hard to believe, but true!



This is a grim study of Max Baer, who usually faced the camera smiling. Maxie won the title on June 14, 1934, stopping Primo in 11. Baer blew the championship to Braddock in a 15-rounder in June, 1935.



Not a bad looking guy, this Braddock, the Cinderella Man, who, from being on relief with his family, jumped to fame and riches by relieving Baer of the crown. Two years later Jim was belted out by Louis.



This is Ezzard Charles. He reigned from September 27, 1950, until July 18, 1951, when Jersey Joe Walcott knocked him out in Pittsburgh. Ezz had gained NBA recognition on June 22, 1949, by beating Walcott in Chicago. They say Charles was the most under-rated heavyweight champion of them all.

It's 1965, a sad Sonny Liston and Mrs. out for a walk. They just have been told that his return fight with Cassius Clay, scheduled for Boston, has been postponed. Eventually it landed in Lewiston, Me., and Liston went out in the first heat.

Clay restricted championship hopes of rivals by mowing down all contenders. He beat Liston into oblivion, knocked out Floyd Patterson, outpointed George Chuvalo, and then stopped Henry Cooper, Brian London, Karl Mildenberger and Cleveland Williams.

Muhammad Ali started 1967 with an easy knockout victory over outclassed Zora Folley, and then attempted to start all over again in the already beaten field with a return match with Patterson, for which there was utterly no call.

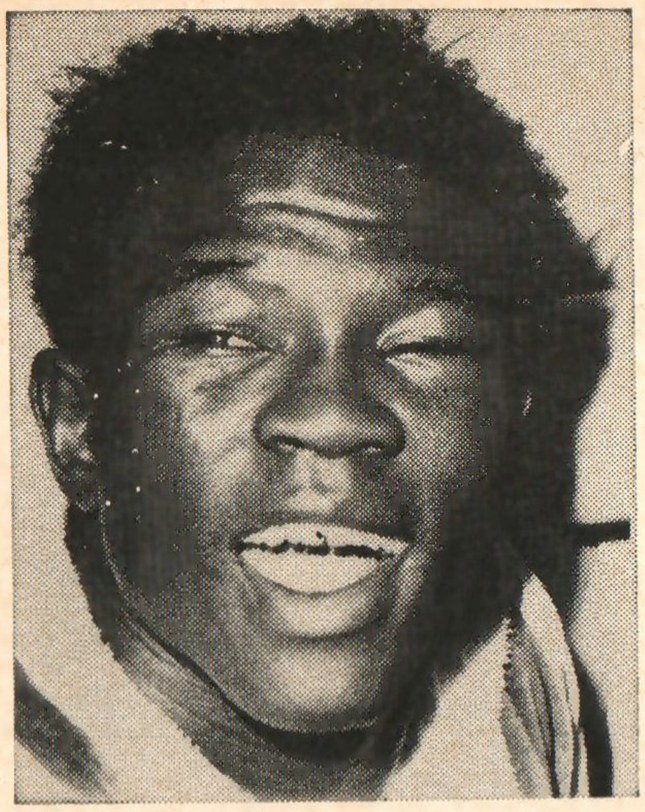
Las Vegas threw it out, New York refused it, and soon Cassius abandoned the scheme, doubtless much to the chagrin of Herbert Muhammad and the Black Muslims.

It is reported the personal fortune of Cassius amounts to something like $125,000. The balance of his earnings have gone largely to the Muslims.

To whom are boxing fans to look for interest from a new and respected direction?

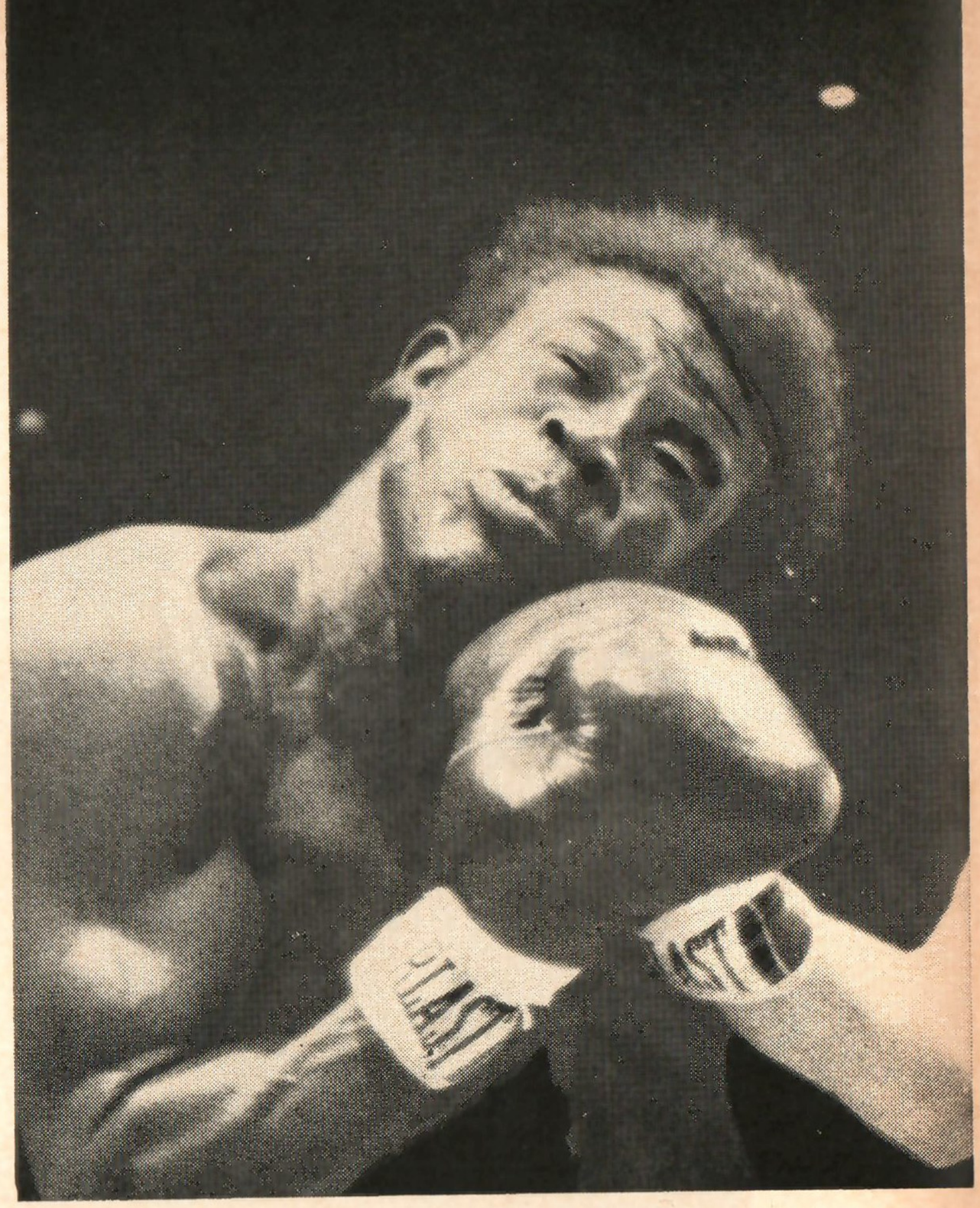
Who will take the lead in advancing the Era of Recovery, or building a new period based on Good Feeling?

While listing Mathis among those who must be watched, The Ring believes that the time has come for this man to stop murdering unworthy opponents like aged Tugboat Thomas. A knockout over the likes of this fighter is utterly worthless and discredits other Mathis victories. *(Continued on page 33)*

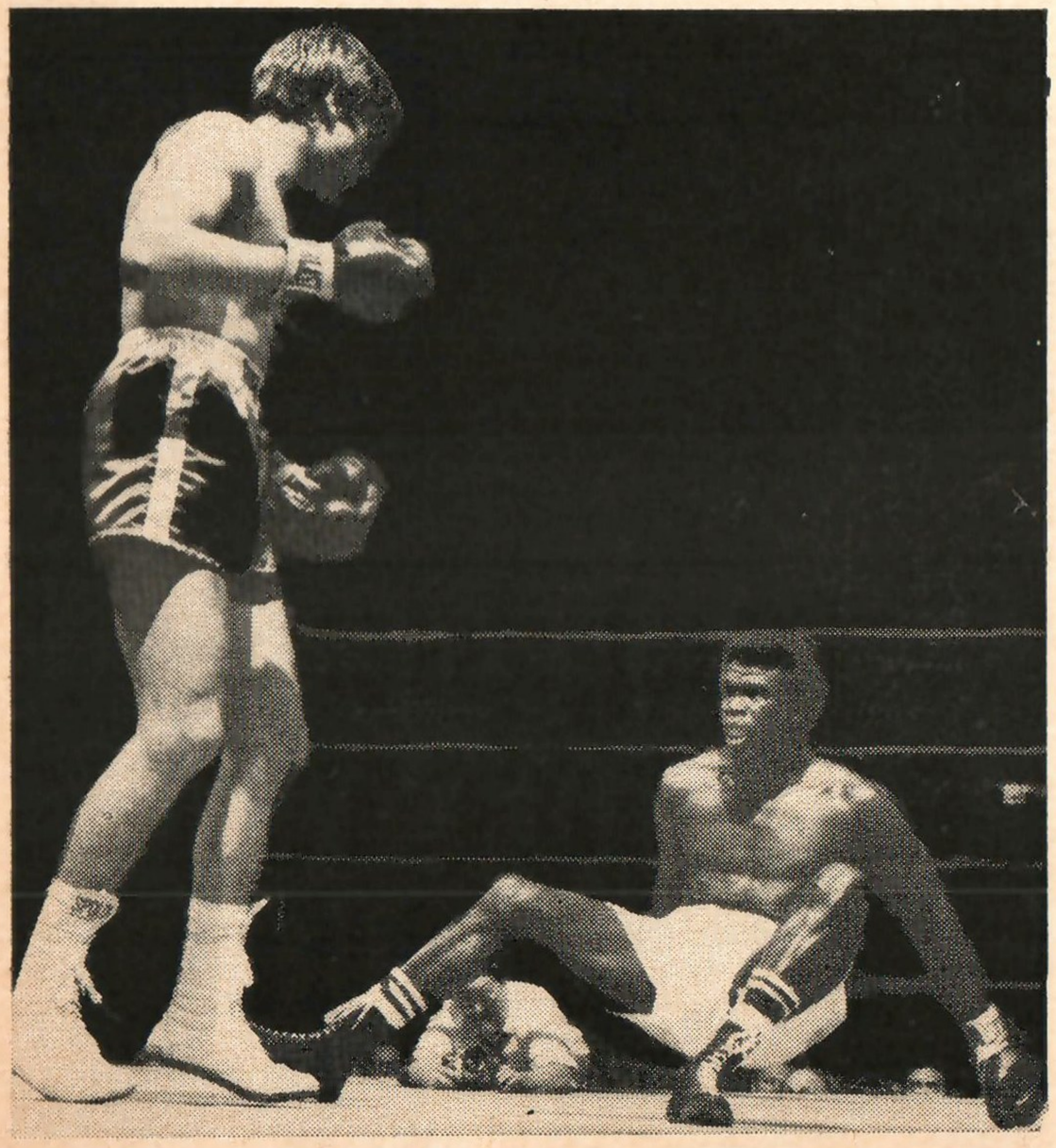


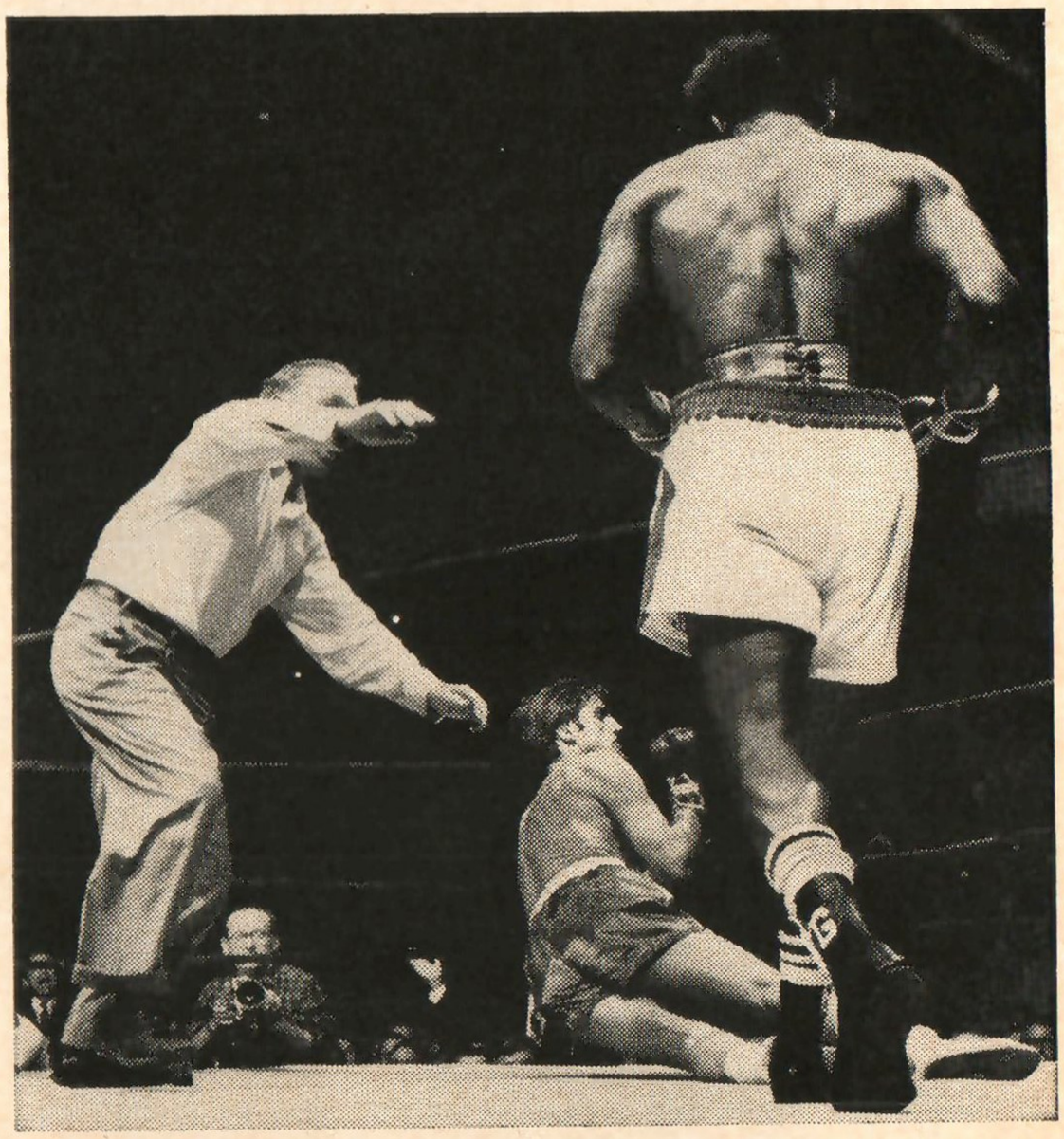
His right eye a little the worse for the jabbing it had suffered from Benvenuti, Griffith sits in his dressing room after the fight, sounding like a winner instead of a loser of a championship.

HANDSHAKE PACT FOR 3RD NINO-EMILE IS DENIED

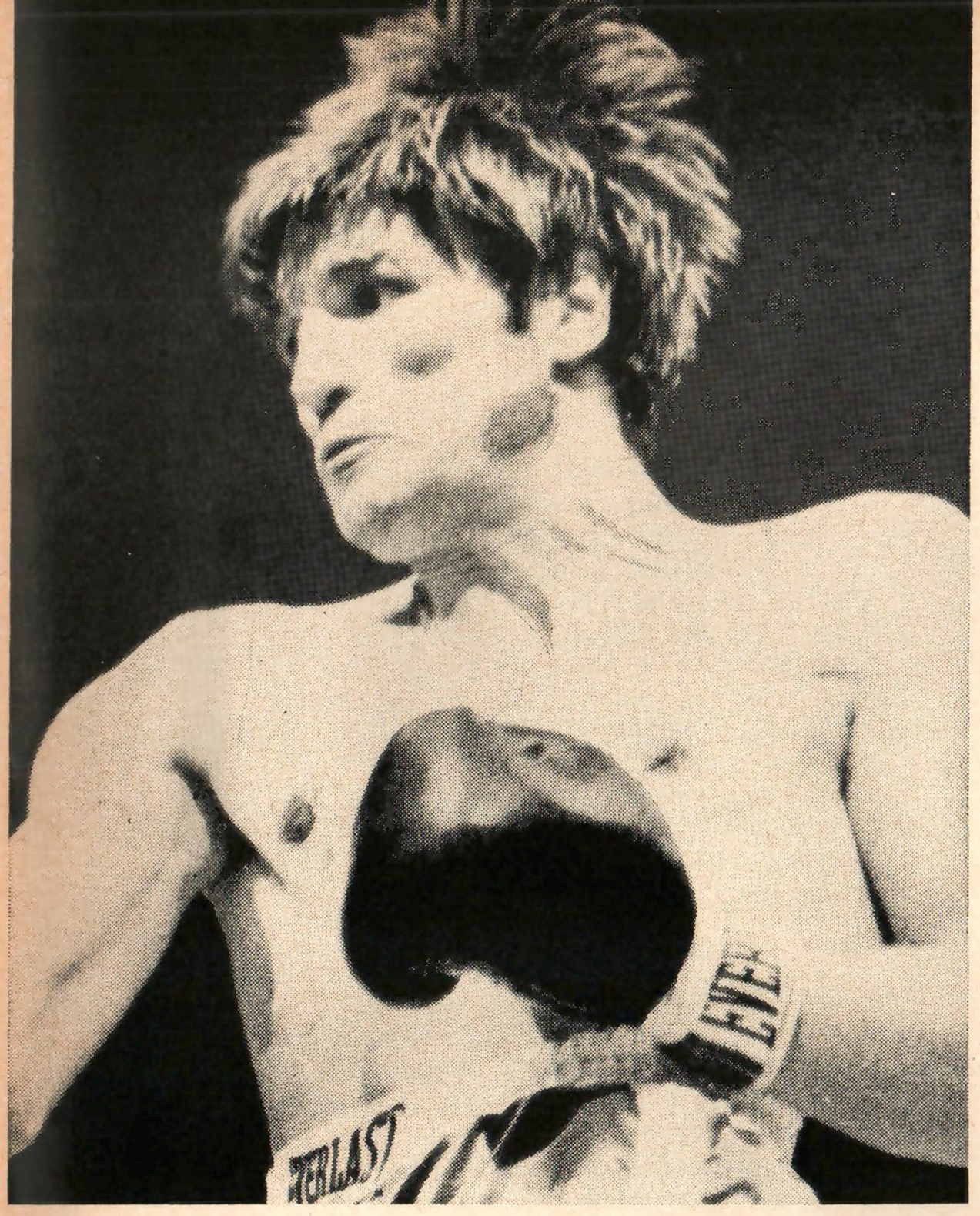


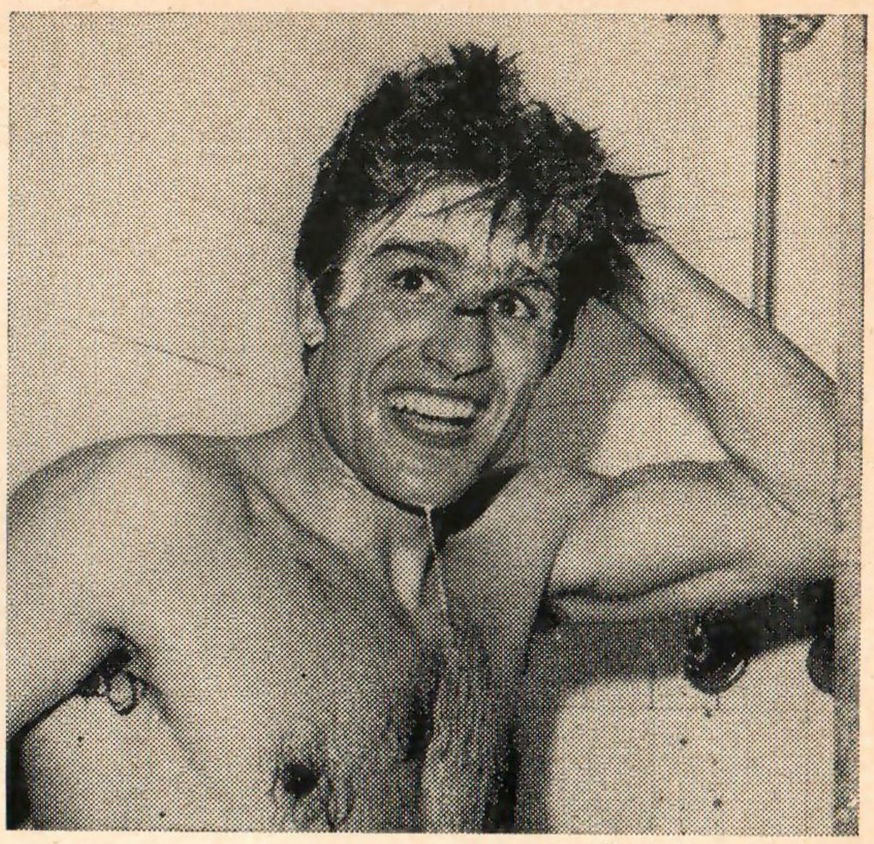
Emile appears to be crooning "Now I lay me down to sleep." He just has been pelted with a right to the head and it seems to have done him no good. But, then again, they never do, do they?



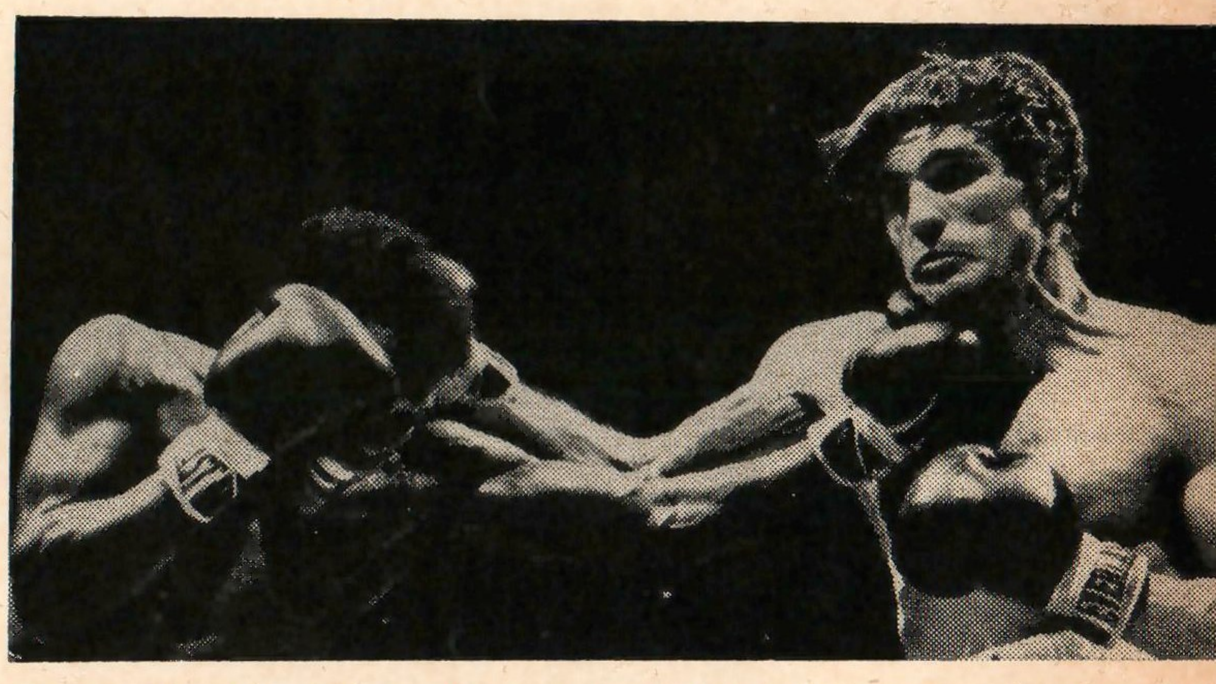


At the left, Griffith is on the floor, in the second round, a right to the jaw and a vigorous shove having deposited him there. But wait a while, reader. Emile soon was to deck Nino. We warned you. Nino (above) has been caromed off the ropes, and onto the ring floor in the fourth, and let it be said that he fell into a panic. However, he made it at nine, and went on to victory.





The shower of success. The new middleweight champion of the world, Nino Benvenuti, of Italy, is getting cleaned up after his unanimous 15 round nod over Griffith.



Benvenuti and Griffith just have made an interesting swap, a hard right for a left. The losing champion got a severe cuff to the side of the head, the import took his on the royal chin.

By NAT FLEISCHER

AS THE return fight between Nino Benvenuti, of Italy, the world middleweight champion, and Emile Griffith draws near I am disturbed by a report emenating from Rome.

I am told, by a reputable Rome sports writer who covered the fight in which Nino took the title in New York's Madison Square Garden, that if Griffith recovers the championship there will be a third meeting.

"This arrangement has been completed not in the contract for the second fight, but by a handshake," my informant added.

As a consequence, it behooves Eddie Dooley, chairman of the New York Commission, who has announced that he will not countenance another return fight arrangement, to get to the bottom of the report from Rome.

Boxing cannot afford to have a third straight meeting between Griffith, if he wins the return, and Benvenuti.

I do not bar a third Griffith-Benvenuti fight as a possibility in the future.

But before this becomes contractual, various contenders must get their chances. Emile and Nino are not to be permitted to seal up the middleweight title.

We cannot afford to let the 160-pound chmapionship slip back to the status of so many titles of the days when we had interminable series which turned the fighters involved into bosom pals, thoroughly familiar with each other's styles, tricks and quirks.

In the days of these long series, Jack Britton and Ted Kid Lewis met 20 times; Sam Langford and Harry Wills met 23; Benny Leonard and Phil Bloom, 8; Harry Greb and Fay Keiser, 9; Ray Robinson and Bobo Olson, 4; Gene Fullmer and Robinson, 4; Jack Dillon and George Chip, 12.

Griffith and Luis Rodriguez have met four times, and Luis clamors for No. 5.

Stories from Rome also have it that there is a chance that the Nino-Emile return fight will be postponed from the July 13 date set by the Garden.

Said one of the Italian reporters, "That Nino and Griffith will meet in July is doubtful, for many reasons.

"In fact, I might even venture the prediction that Benvenuti will not defend his title against Griffith in New York or any other city in the United States.

"It is my impression that Griffith will have to come to Rome if he wants a chance to recover the championship.

"Let me tip you off to another thing. Benvenuti was supposed to have left $25,000 in New York to make certain that he would come back. He actually left a forfeit of $10,000, which would mean very little to him if he decided to make challengers come to Italy."

A Benvenuti-Griffith fight in Rome would pose difficulties, not tracing direct to Nino, for the challenger. On March 11, 1964, in Rome, Griffith was giving Juan Carlos Duran, not an Italian, a shellacking and the fans rioted and forced a "No Contest" cessation in the seventh round.

Both camps made vigorous denial of any understanding for a possible third meeting.

So much for reports from Rome. Now for the fight in New York in which the favored Griffith was beaten thoroughly by Benvenuti.

With what did Nino perform *(Continued on page 32)*

WORLD

By NAT FLEISCHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Houston, Texas
1—**KARL MILDENBERGER,** Germany
2—**ERNIE TERRELL,** Chicago, Ill.
3—**FLOYD PATTERSON,** Great Neck, L.I.
4—**JOE FRAZIER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
6—**GEORGE CHUVALO,** Canada
7—**THAD SPENCER,** Portland, Ore.
8—**OSCAR BONAVENA,** Argentina
9—**MANUEL RAMOS,** Mexico
10—**JIMMY ELLIS,** Louisville, Ky.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
DICK TIGER, Nigeria
1—**JOSE TORRES,** Puerto Rico
2—**BOB FOSTER,** Washington, D.C.
3—**ROGER ROUSE,** Anaconda, Mont.
4—**BOB DUNLOP,** Australia
5—**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
6—**PIERO DEL PAPA,** Italy
7—**ANDRES SELPA,** Argentina
8—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
9—**HERSCHEL JACOBS,** White Plains, N.Y.
10—**BERNARD THEBAULT,** France

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NINO BENVENUTI, Italy
1—**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N.Y.
2—**SANDRO MAZZINGHI,** Italy
3—**KI SOO KIM,** Korea
4—**FERD HERNANDEZ,** Las Vegas, Nev.
5—**DON FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
6—**LUIS FOLLEDO,** Spain
7—**JOHNNY PRITCHETT,** England
8—**JOSE GONZALEZ,** Puerto Rico
9—**ANDY HEILMAN,** Fargo, S.D.
10—**FREDDY LITTLE,** Las Vegas, Nev.

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CURTIS COKES, Dallas, Texas
1—**GYPSY JOE HARRIS,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**JEAN JOSSELIN,** France
3—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Miami Beach, Fla.
4—**CONNY RUDHOF,** Germany
5—**FRANCOIS PAVILLA,** France
6—**WILLIE LUDICK,** South Africa
7—**ERNIE LOPEZ,** Las Vegas, Nev.
8—**MUSASHI NAKANO,** Japan
9—**JOE SHAW,** New York, N.Y.
10—**CHARLIE SHIPES,** Oakland, Calif.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
PAUL FUJII, Honolulu, Hawaii
1—**SANDRO LOPOPOLO,** Italy
2—**JUAN SOMBRITA,** Spain
3—**MARCEL CERDAN,** France
4—**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
5—**WILLI QUATUOR,** Germany
6—**JOSE NAPOLES,** Mexico
7—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
8—**RODRIGO VALDEZ,** Colombia
9—**HERBIE LEE,** Washington, D.C.
10—**DANIEL GUANIN,** Ecuador

NINO BENVENUTI FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

IT WILL be noted that in this issue, the troubled, service snubbing Cassius Clay remains on top in the heavyweight division, full explanation of which will be found in my article beginning on page 6. His base of operations has been switched from Louisville to Houston.

Karl Mildenberger, by virtue of two knockouts, over Billy Walker in the eighth round of a European heavyweight title match, and over Amos Lincoln in the sixth round, is now the Number One contender. Ernie Terrell, Floyd Patterson and Joe Frazier, who kayoed Jeff Davis and decisioned Scrap Iron Johnson, follow in that order.

Bob Foster, by kayoing Eddie Cotton in three, is now the No. 2 light heavy. Roger Rouse is third, Australian Bob Dunlop fourth and Cotton now fifth.

Nino Benvenuti, of Italy, whose excellent performance against Emile Griffith sent the world middleweight crown to Italy, is named the "Fighter of the Month."

In that division, Stan Harrington of Hawaii, who announced his retirement, has been dropped and Fred Little, of Las Vegas, re-appears in the ranking, in the tenth slot.

With Paul Fujii, of Honolulu, and Japan, winning the world junior welter crown from Sandro Lopopolo, of Italy, a wholesale change is noted in that class. The Italian has exchanged locations with his conqueror and is now the top challenger.

Juan Sombrita, of Spain, has been advanced from fourth to second with Marcel Cerdan, of France, and Eddie Perkins, of Chicago, next in line.

Johnny Famechon of Australia, who asked to be shifted from the junior lightweight to the feather class, has been elimi-

RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING MAY 15, 1967

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS ORTIZ, New York, N.Y.

1–**ISMAEL LAGUNA,** Panama
2–**BORGE KROGH,** Denmark
3–**NICOLINO LOCHE,** Argentina
4–**CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ,** Dominican Rep.
5–**FRANKIE NARVAEZ,** Puerto Rico
6–**MAURICE CULLEN,** England
7–**LLOYD MARSHALL,** Newark, N.J.
8–**RAY ADIGUN,** Nigeria
9–**SUGAR RAMOS,** Mexico
10–**MANOEL SANTOS,** New Zealand

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GABRIEL (FLASH) ELORDE, Philippines

1–**JOSE LEGRA,** Spain
2–**ANTONIO AMAYA,** Panama
3–**ARMANDO RAMOS,** Los Angeles, Cal.
4–**PEDRO GOMEZ,** Venezuela
5–**RENE BARRIENTOS,** Philippines
6–**KANG SUH IL,** Korea
7–**ANTONIO HERRERA,** Colombia
8–**ENRIQUE HIGGINS,** Colombia
9–**RAY ECHAVARRIA,** San Jose, Cal.
10–**LOVE ALLOTEY,** Ghana

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
VICENTE SALDIVAR, Mexico

1–**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
2–**RAUL ROJAS,** San Pedro, Cal.
3–**HIROSHI KOBAYASHI,** Japan
4–**MITSUNORI SEKI,** Japan
5–**ALEX BENITEZ,** San Jose, Cal.
6–**JOHNNY FAMECHON,** Australia
7–**FRANKIE CRAWFORD,** Los Angeles, Cal.
8–**FREDDY RENGIFO,** Venezuela
9–**BOBBY VALDEZ,** San Diego, Cal.
10–**RICHARD SUE,** Portland, Ore.

nated from the higher division and is ranked sixth among the 126-pounders.

In the junior lightweight sector there are two newcomers—Antonio Herrera and Enrique Higgins, from Colombia.

Harold Johnson, of Philadelphia, who has re-entered the arena after long inactivity, has taken the place of inactive Gregario Peralta, eighth, in the light heavy ranks.

George Foster, Cincinnati, has been dropped from the top ten among the lightweights and is replaced by Manoel Santos, of New Zealand. Hiroyki Ebihara, of Japan, former flyweight king, has replaced George Hind, of Scotland, in that division.

Gypsy Harris, colorful Philadelphia welter, has replaced Jean Josselin, of France, as the Number One challenger for Curtis Cokes' title.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
FIGHTING HARADA, Japan

1–**JESUS PIMENTEL,** Los Angeles, Cal.
2–**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
3–**ALAN RUDKIN,** England
4–**LIONEL ROSE,** Australia
5–**KAMARA DIOP,** France
6–**BERNARD CARABALLO,** Colombia
7–**ROLLIE PENAROYA,** Philippines
8–**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
9–**TAKAO SAKURAI,** Japan
10–**YOSHIO NAKANE,** Japan

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CHARTCHAI CHIONOI, Thailand

1–**KIYOSHI TANABE,** Japan
2–**WALTER McGOWAN,** Scotland
3–**FERNANDO ATZORI,** Italy
4–**HORACIO ACCAVALLO,** Argentina
5–**OCTAVIO GOMEZ,** Argentina
6–**JOHN McCLUSKEY,** Scotland
7–**KATSUTOSHI TAKAYAMA,** Japan
8–**PUNTIP KEOSURIYA,** Thailand
9–**HIROYUKI EBIHARA,** Japan
10–**SALVATORE BURRUNI,** Italy

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Patrick Colin Kelly Kansas City, Mo.	1/67	3	3	0	0	3
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS						
Gene Romero New Orleans, La.	5/66	10	7	3	0	4
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Julio Figueroa Puerto Rico	1/67	3	3	0	0	1
WELTERWEIGHT						
Roland Pryon Washington, D.C.	2/67	4	4	0	0	3
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Freddie Webster Las Vegas, Nev.	1/66	5	4	0	1	3
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Mike Herman Mexico	1/66	4	4	0	0	3
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Ushiwakamaru Harada, Japan	2/65	18	14	1	3	5
FLYWEIGHT						
Avelino Pena Venezuela	3/66	7	7	0	0	3

THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

Ultiminio Ramos Ignora Los Angeles Para Pelear En San Juan, Puerto Rico

Por PEDRO GALIANA

DEFINITIVAMENTE, Ultiminio Ramos peleará el dia primero de Julio en la ciudad de San Juan, Puerto Rico, con Carlos Ortiz por la faja mundial de los pesos ligeros. Aunque se ha dicho que Ramos pudiera enfrentarse a una suspension en el estado de California si no cumple su compromiso previo con la Señora Eaton, empresario de Los Angeles, para pelear en la Costa con Raul Rojas, su decisión de enfrentarse a Ortiz en Puerto Rico as firme, y, ya se han iniciado todos los preparativos para montar la pelea.

¿Porqué Ramos ha preferido el bout con Ortiz, apareciendo solamente como aspirante a la faja ligera, en lugar de enfrentarse como campeon a Rojas en Los Angeles, ya que la Comision California le reconoce todavia como campeon del mundo?

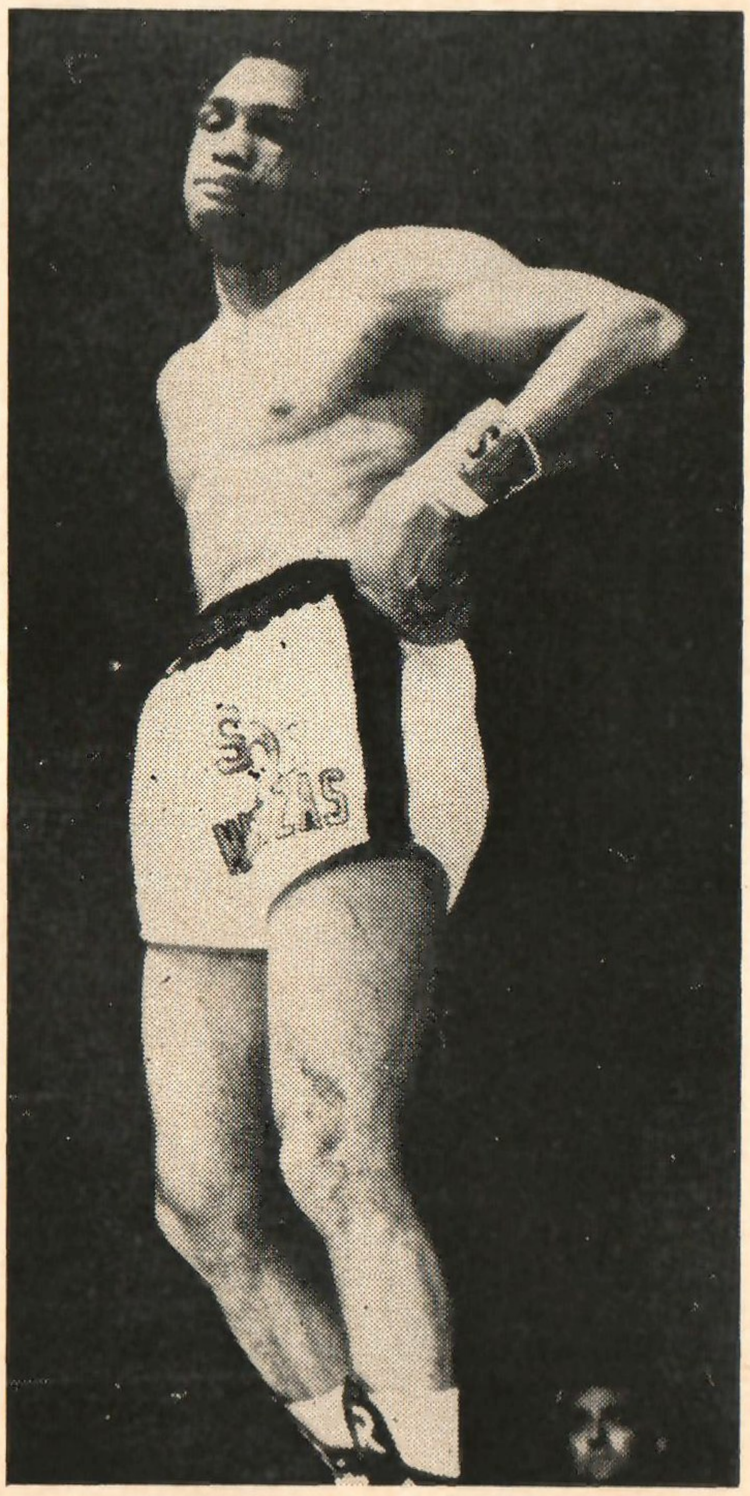
La razon es sencilla. Ramos tiene metido en la cabeza que tiene que demostrar a todos que puede ganarle a Ortiz, en su propio suelo, y dice que si no lo hace, se retirará definitivamente del ring.

Cuco Conde, que era el manager cubano de Ramos en la Habana, y ahora aparece asociado a Pancho Rosales en Mexico, fué entrevistado por THE RING al respecto y nos ha informado lo siguiente:

"Ramos tenía contrato firmado con la Señora Eaton para enfrentarse a Rojas en Los Angeles. Pero, en su mente siempre estaba metida la idea de una pelea de retorno con Ortiz. Por eso, cuando Bill Daley ofreció el encuentro para San Juan, la pelea fúe aceptada, firmándose los papeles para celebrarla el dia primero de Julio."

Y el match con Rojas? ¿Acaso no estaba firmado ya?

"Estaba firmado"—dice Conde. "Pero, sun no se había señalado la fecha del encuentro, y Ramos ha hecho un compromiso formal con Mrs. Eaton a base de concederle la primera pelea por el campeonato—caso de derrotar a Ortiz en San Juan—para que ella escenifique el bout en Los Angeles, con Rojas ó con quien desee."



SUGAR RAMOS

¿Que fúe lo que decidió a Ramos el pelear con Ortiz, como aspirante en lugar de hacerlo con Rojas como campeon?

"Que el Consejo Mundial de boxeo determinó que debía enfrentarse con Ortiz."—dice Conde. "De todos modos, el asunto está ya arreglado, y Sugar actuará con Ortiz en San Juan, bajo le égida de George Parnassus y Bill Daley, habiendo hecho la promesa de actuar despues para Mrs. Eaton de ganar el campeonato mundial."

Esto, incidentalmente, detiene todo intento del Madison Square Garden de celebrar la pelea de Ortiz vs Ismael Laguna en al anfiteatro de la Octava Avenida. Lagunas esturo recientemente en New York, esperando que su proyectado match con Ortiz fuera aceptado; pero, regresó a Panama sin haber logrado su intento.

"Laguna está listo para enfrentarse a Ortiz tan pronto como fijan la fecha del encuentro"—ha dicho Tato Valdes, apoderado del ex-campeon mundial, que tan buena impresión dejó cuando visitó la ciudad de New York para medirse con Frankie Narvaez. "Mi muchacho ha demostrado que tiene clase para ostentar el campeonato del mundo y creo que Ortiz debe darnos una nueva oportunidad. Ismael esta como nunca y seguro de vencer a Ortiz en el bout."

La garantia del Garden, que encierra unefectivo de $83,000 dolares, mas un elevado porcentage en los derechos de los ingresos por concepto de Radio y TV, se ha quedado en el aire, y los apoderados de Laguna esperan que el campeon recapacite, aceptandole el reto que le tienen lanzado.

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Johnny Manzanet, trainer de Chegui Torres, considera que el ex-campeon mundial recuperara la corona dedibo a que esta realizando el mejor entrenamiento de su vida . . . "Yo nunca he visto a Chegui prepararse con tanto interes"—dice Manzanet, que ha sido el hombre de su esquina en casi todos sus encuentros . . . $1 propio tiempo, el esforzado entrenador, anuncia que un grupo de ganadores del torneo de boxeo amateur de los Guantes Latinos, organizado por el periodico "El Tiempo", iran a San Juan, Puerto Rico, en el mes de Mayo para enfrentarse a los ganadores del torneo amateur que se efectua en estos momentos en la isla . . . Los boxeadores de los Guantes Latinos tienen como campo de actividades el Sunnyside Garden.

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Oscar Martinez Conill, que fue promotor de boxeo en Cuba, en epoca democra-

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Fighting Foster Not Relished By Top Light Heavies

By GEORGE GIRSCH

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Bob Foster, Washington light heavyweight, made his professional debut on March 27, 1960. He knocked out Duke Williams in two rounds.

Since then Foster has figured in 25 other fights, the latest under consideration here being his two round KO of Andres Selpa on February 27. As this issue of The Ring went to press Foster had just kayoed Eddie Cotton in three rounds.

Foster faced the Cotton affair with only four defeats, two of them by KO, against Doug Jones and Ernie Terrell, two by decision against Mauro Mina and Zora Folley. He had stopped 16 opponents by knockout.

Foster is rated a natural 175 pounder. But he has had trouble getting work among the light heavies and has been forced to give away weight, at times far too much of it.

In the Terrell fight, July 10, 1964, Foster fattened up to 183½, against Ernie's 202½, and superior height and reach.

In the Jones fight, Foster tipped the beam at 174, while Doug weighed 182. Weight discrepancies run right through his record.

Foster has entered his eighth year of professional fighting without having enjoyed a single pay day consonant with his skill, all around ability and power at his proper weight, or out of it.

If, at times, Bob Foster has given thought to quitting the ring and driving a truck he has had good reason. Truck drivers are sure of steady pay and don't have to lie awake nights worrying about their sources of income, and why other light heavies avoid him as if he had leprosy.

During Foster's career we have had five holders of the 175 pound title—Archie Moore, Harold Johnson, Willie Pastrano, Jose Torres and Dick Tiger.

From none of these did Foster ever get the time of day. Why? He was too tough.

Tiger says that victory over Torres in their return match would lean him toward a fight with Foster in Washington, where huge D.C. Stadium would be available.

It would take $100,000 to persuade Tiger to fight Foster. Nor would Torres listen to less, if listen he would, at all. Torres has a high respect for Foster. And Foster merits it.

Boxing history presents many cases like Foster's. Cases of fighters who were too good for their bank accounts' welfare, boxers who scared away the Big Money and the titles and wondered why destiny had chosen them for the bum deal.

You mention the name of Bob Foster to the generality of fight fans and too often the comment is, "That guy picks set-ups. Look at his 1967 record. January 9, he stopped a man named Jim Robinson in a ridiculous match, in the first round. That sort of fight should never be for Foster if he is as good as some say he is. Then, on February 27, the Selpa fight,

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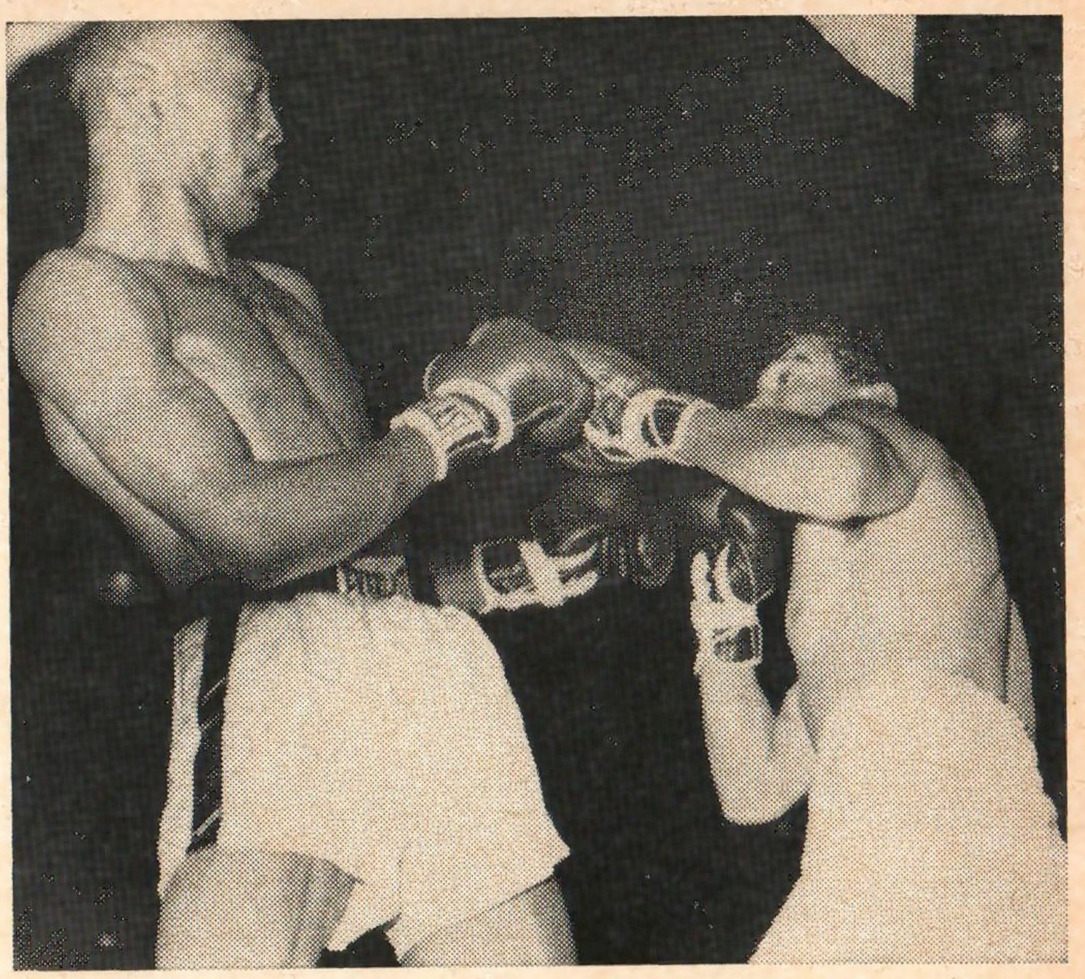
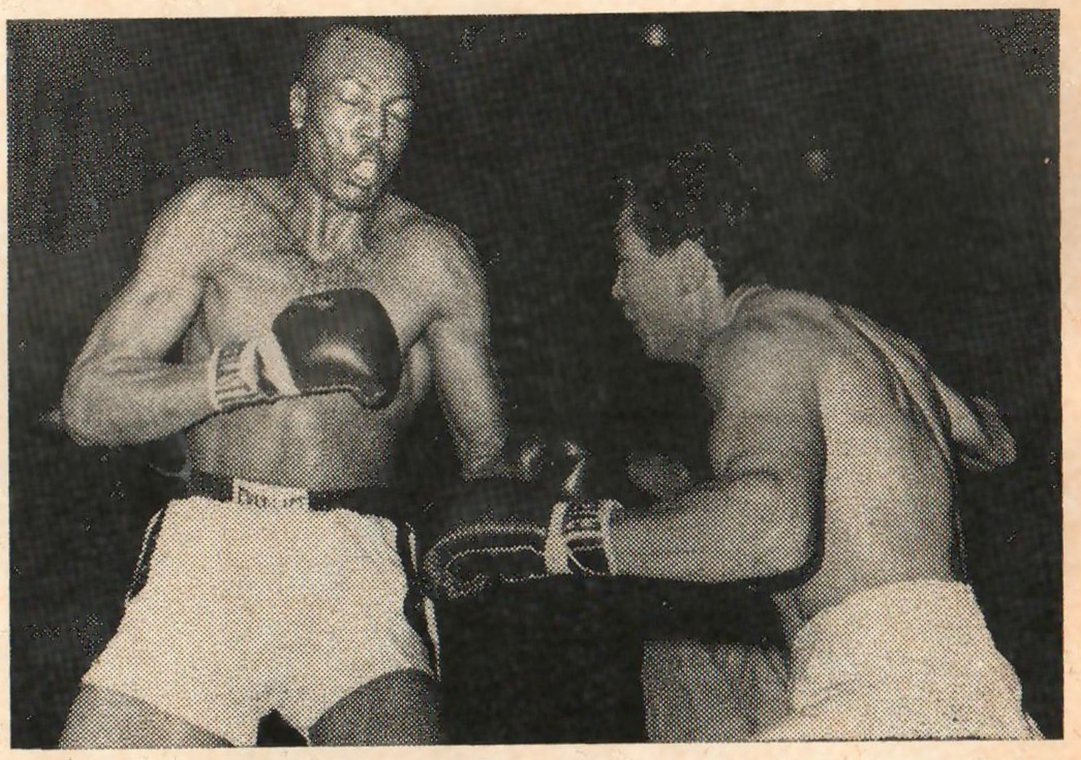
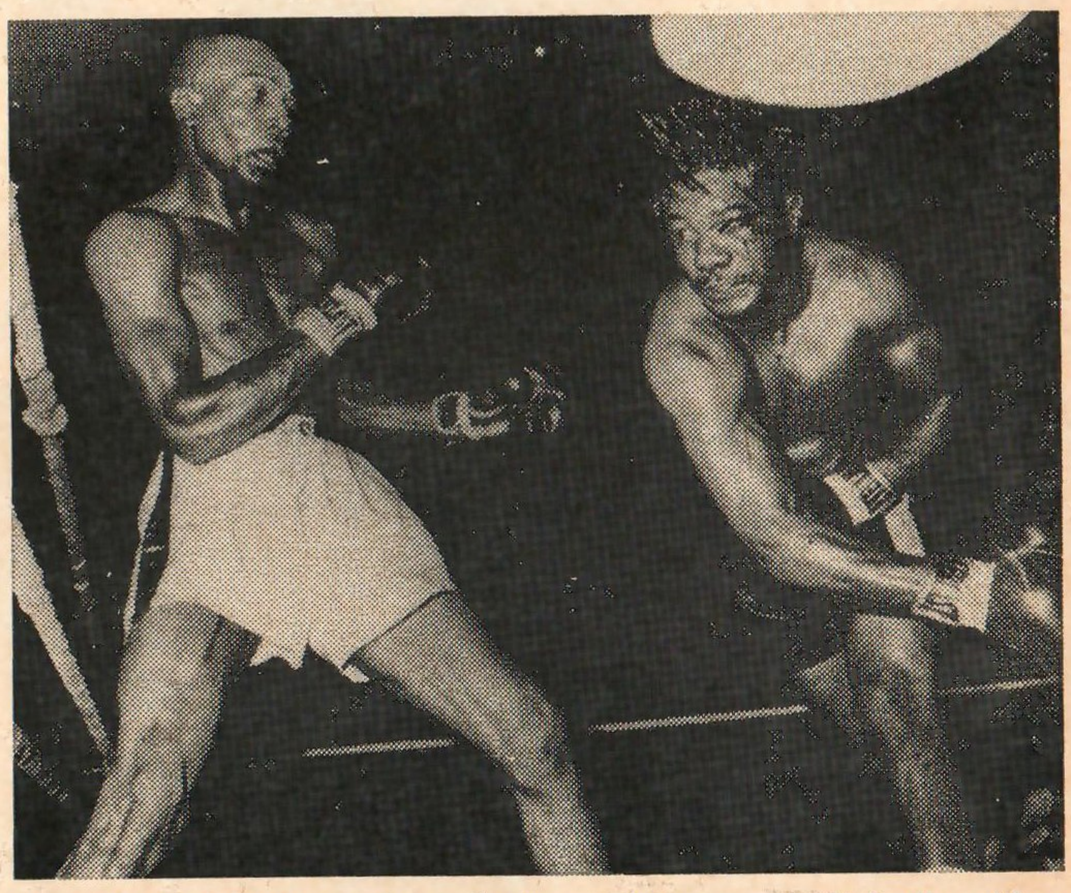


Bob Foster (left) leans back near the ropes during the first round of his bout with Argentina's Andres Selpa. Foster stopped the South American at 2:40 of the second round.

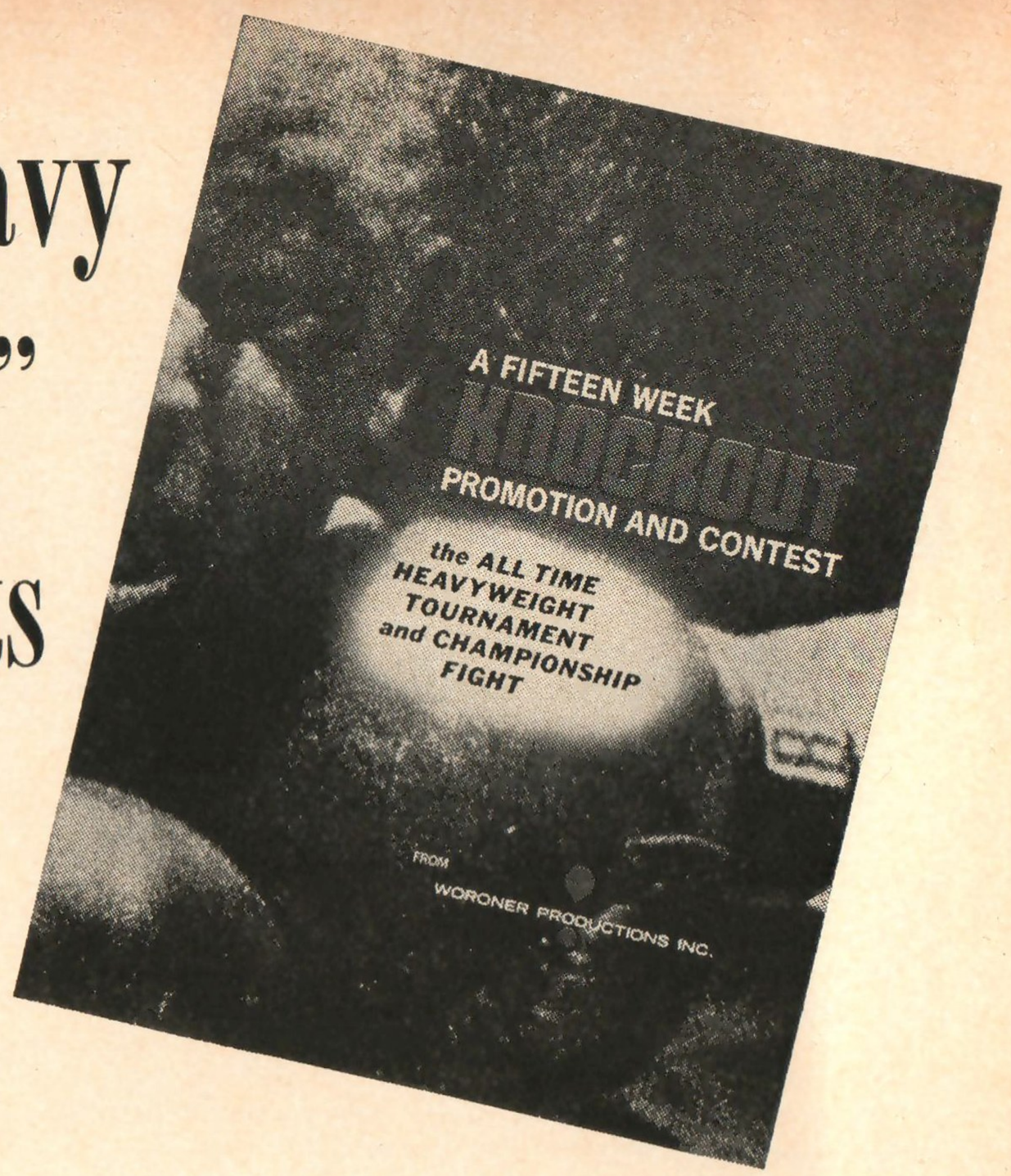


Foster has just landed a hard left hook as Selpa starts to counter with a right. Moments later Foster used another left hook to end matters in the Mutt and Jeff battle.



Henry Hank (right) sporting a badly cut left eye, misses badly with a right as Foster eyes the opportunity to land a good one. Foster won this 1965 bout via a 12-round decision.

All-Time No. 1 Heavy To Be "Determined" By Computer Fights



Murray Woroner, head of Woroner Productions, Inc., producers of the "Knockout" promotion, the all time heavyweight tournament and championship fight to be heard on radio.

By NAT LOUBET

COULD the Dempsey who battered Jess Williard have beaten Joe Louis the night the Bomber stopped Max Schmeling in one round? Could the Marciano who knocked out Jersey Joe Walcott have won over the Louis who walloped the title out of Jim Braddock?

How would crafty, skilled Jim Corbett have fared against boxer Cassius Clay? How would John L. Sullivan, of legendary power, have come out of a brawl with Max Baer? How would Gene Tunney of the two battles with Dempsey have done against the Patterson of his two KO victories against Ingemar Johansson?

You and I cannot give the answers to these questions, and a hundred more in the same vein.

But many of the answers are going to be arrived at, with the help of a computer.

When the history of the current era in world progress is written it will be treated not only as the years of bombs and missiles, and inter-racial trouble, but as the Age of the Computer.

Men and women meet through the computer's impression of their compatability. Male and female marry because they were told the computer thought well of their association. There is magic in the machine.

No longer do the star gazers gaze. No longer do the astrologers astrologe. No longer do the ladies make with the tea leaves, and the fortune tellers with the crystal balls peer into the future with any sense of authority. It's a case of Ask the Computer.

Not so long ago an enterprising promoter put on a radio programme in which an All Star game involving all time baseball heroes was played with the aid of the computer. The idea proved interesting.

The computer gimmick should turn out even more interesting with the help of the greatest heavyweights in the long annals of boxing.

Woroner Productions, Inc., of Miami, Fla. has developed a vast enterprise for radio dissemination all over the United States—and abroad, as well—in which there will be a 15-week elimination tournament among the top heavyweights of all time and then, very likely out of the Orange Bowl, a final for the computer championship of the world.

Thousands of bits of information, many of them of a statistical nature, will be fed into an NCR 315 computer by SPS data processing.

This computer operates in 300 billionths of a second and has 160,000 memory positions. There are only two of these machines in the entire world.

Murray Woroner, who got up the idea, says, "The sixteen heavyweights who will compete in this Battle of the Computer have been picked by a poll of more than 100 sports page experts in all sections of the country.

"The sixteen are Cassius Muhammad Ali Clay, current title holder, Jack Dempsey, Gene Tunney, Jim Corbett, Jim Braddock, Max Schmeling, Max Baer, Rocky Marciano, Jess Willard, Jack Sharkey, John L. Sullivan, Jersey Joe Walcott, Jack Johnson, Bob Fitzsimmons, Jim Jeffries and Joe Louis.

"These sixteen have been rated by competent authorities, led by international expert Nat Fleischer and Nat Loubet, of The Ring Magazine, the Bible of Boxing.

"In the selection of the sixteen contestants, the Dundees, Chris and Angelo, took prominent parts.

"The poll of the more than 100 experts produced a tie for No. 1 between Dempsey and Tunney, with Marciano No. 3, Louis No. 4, and Corbett No. 5, Sullivan No. 6 and Jack Johnson No. 7.

"The other nine finished in this order: Jeffries, Clay, Fitzsimmons, Baer, Willard, Schmeling, Sharkey, Braddock and Walcott.

"In rating the heavyweights the pollsters were asked to consider no fewer than 129 variables per man. They had to consider speed, stamina, courage, height, reach, weight, abilities with the jab, uppercut, right cross, left hook, body punching, infighting, freedom from cuts and blood letting, and so many other factors that the experts found their heads swimming.

"But the job finally was finished, and for that, much credit belongs to The Ring Magazine team. The job was much too intriguing to be snided in any way. What the poll came up with would make an interesting book.

"From the tens of thousands of bits of information, and the solid dope on every one of the sixteen heavies picked, as well as complete data on their outstanding opponents, has come a tremendous mass of considerations which may stagger even the redoubtable NCR 315.

"Already there are indications that this computer tournament will be one of the most significant, interesting and authoritative sports ventures yet put on the air."

The dream referee will be the well known Ruby Goldstein, who was a splendid fighter and later an internationally recognized official. Guy Le Bow, veteran announcer, has been engaged to do the blow by blow.

All fights leading up to the final will come out of Miami Beach Convention Hall, with Florida boxing rules governing and point scoring on the ten must system.

The tournament will get under way with Dempsey fighting Corbett, the winner to meet the survivor of the Sullivan-Braddock battle.

Louis has drawn Willard, the winner to tackle either Fitzsimmons or Sharkey.

Marciano meets Tunney, and Clay battles Schmeling. The dope leads to the belief that in the big semi-finals it will be Dempsey vs. Louis, Marciano vs. Clay.

However, who knows what is in the head of NCR 315? Does the computer know things the experts do not? Could very well be.

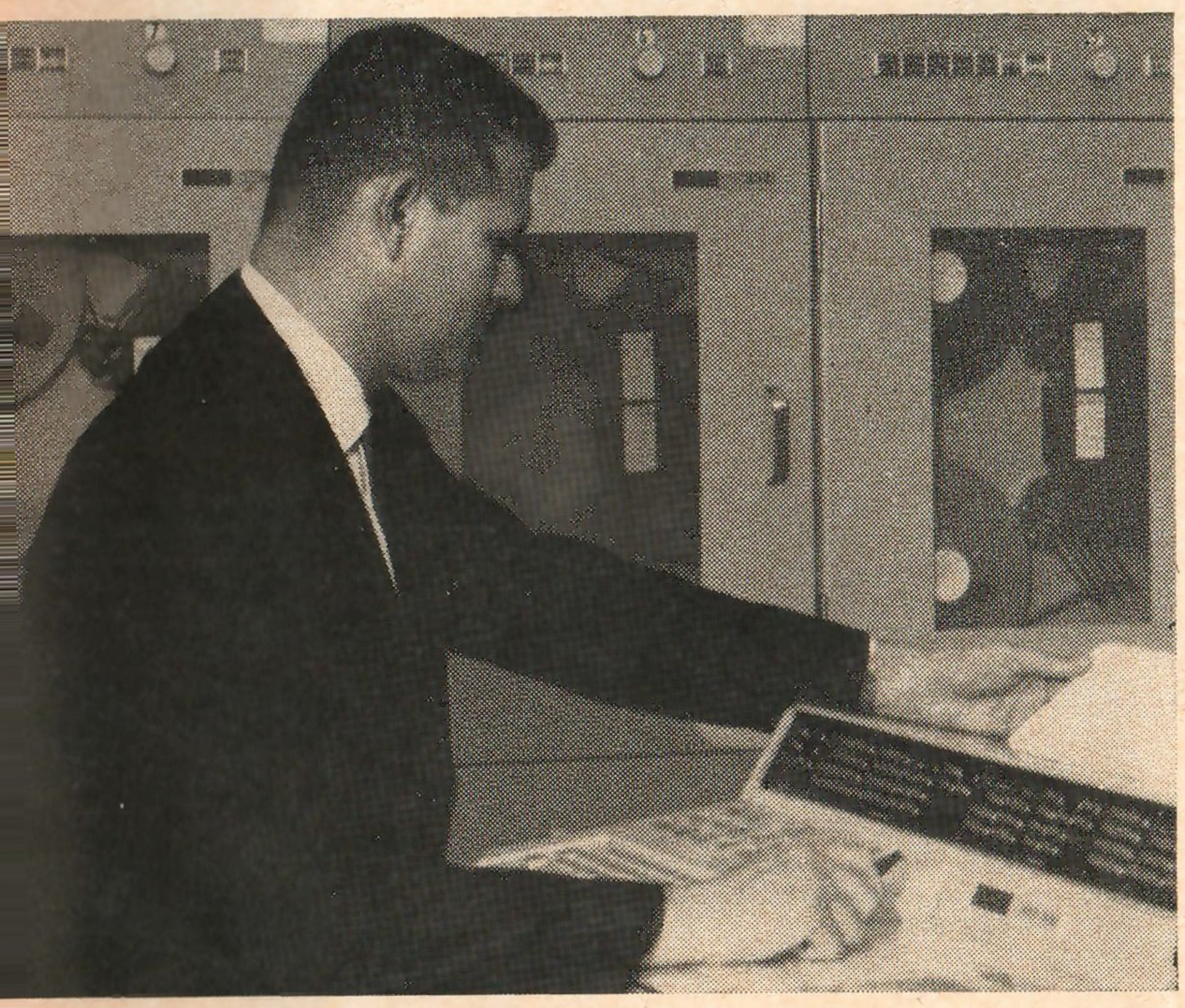
Those who listen to the radio stories of the various fights certainly will not appreciate what work went into the back breaking and eye straining job of digging out the morsels which went into NCR 315.

It took hours and hours to discover the reaches of some of the oldtimers. In those days it was regarded as sufficient to furnish age, weight and height of a boxer. Quite often even these meagre statistics were reduced to mention of weight.

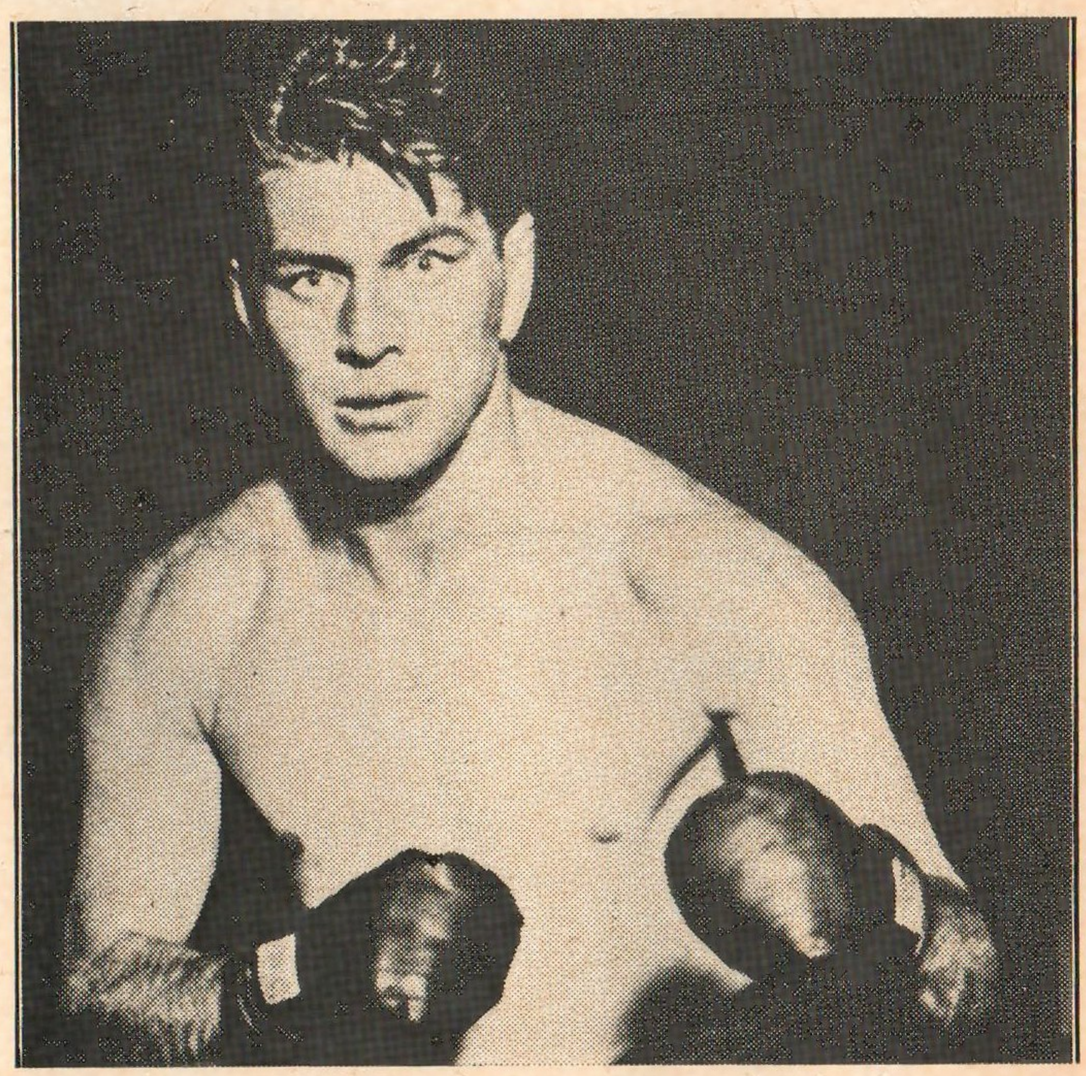
It was a matter of delicate judgment to assay the power, cleverness, stamina, ability to recover from severe punches, freedom from dangerous cuts, strength and speed of jabs, skill in building up combinations, strength of the hook, speed of the jab and power of the cross, ring generalship, the mental quotient and 50 other entries which the computer's insatiable maw demanded.

It was dig, dig, and dig some more. It was dope, figure out, consult real old timers, read dozens of books, and produce more and more tidbits for NCR 315 which in time confronted The Ring team with the ferocity for nourishment which a hungry grizzly would present to the zoo guard.

But, it had to be done, and it was done, and when the fights are announced, blow by blow, by Le Bow, fight fans are certain to be astonished.



Henry Meyer, of S. P. S. Data Processing, demonstrates how the statistical information for the tournament, most of which comes from The Ring, will be fed into the NCR 315 Computer.

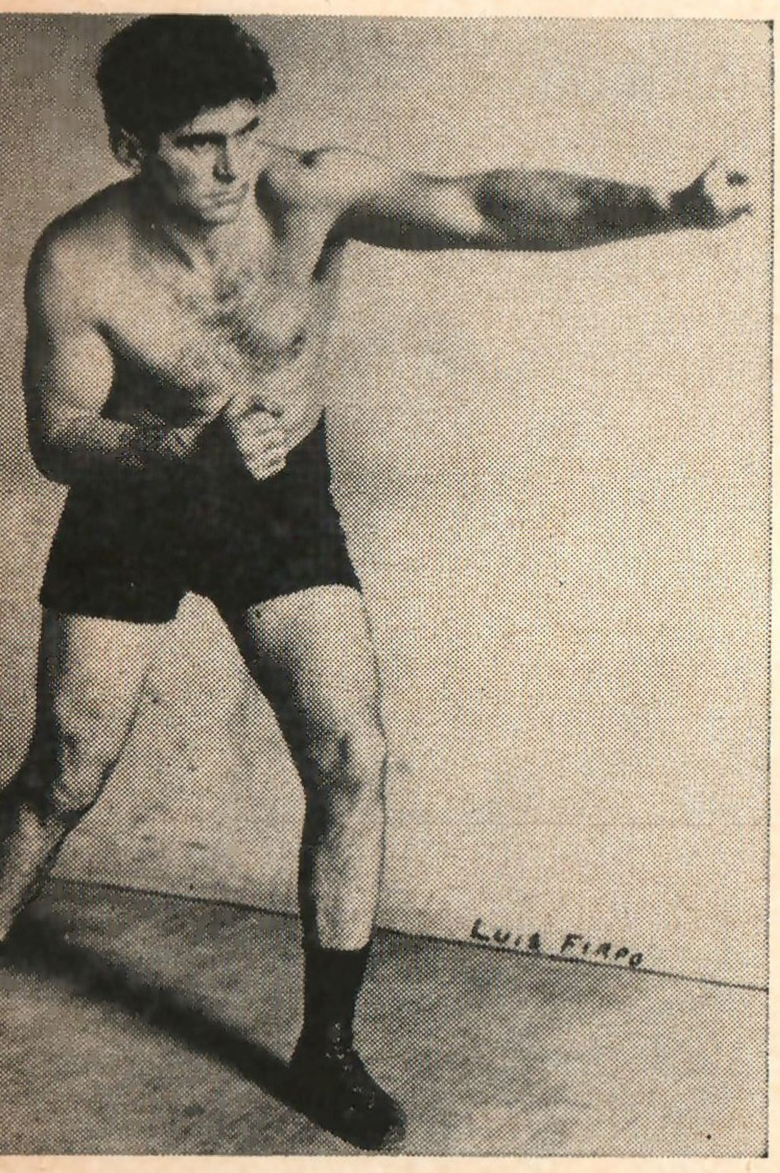


Former heavyweight king Gene Tunney, who tied with Jack Dempsey for the top spot in the poll of more than 100 experts for the dream fights. Tunney meets Rocky Marciano first.

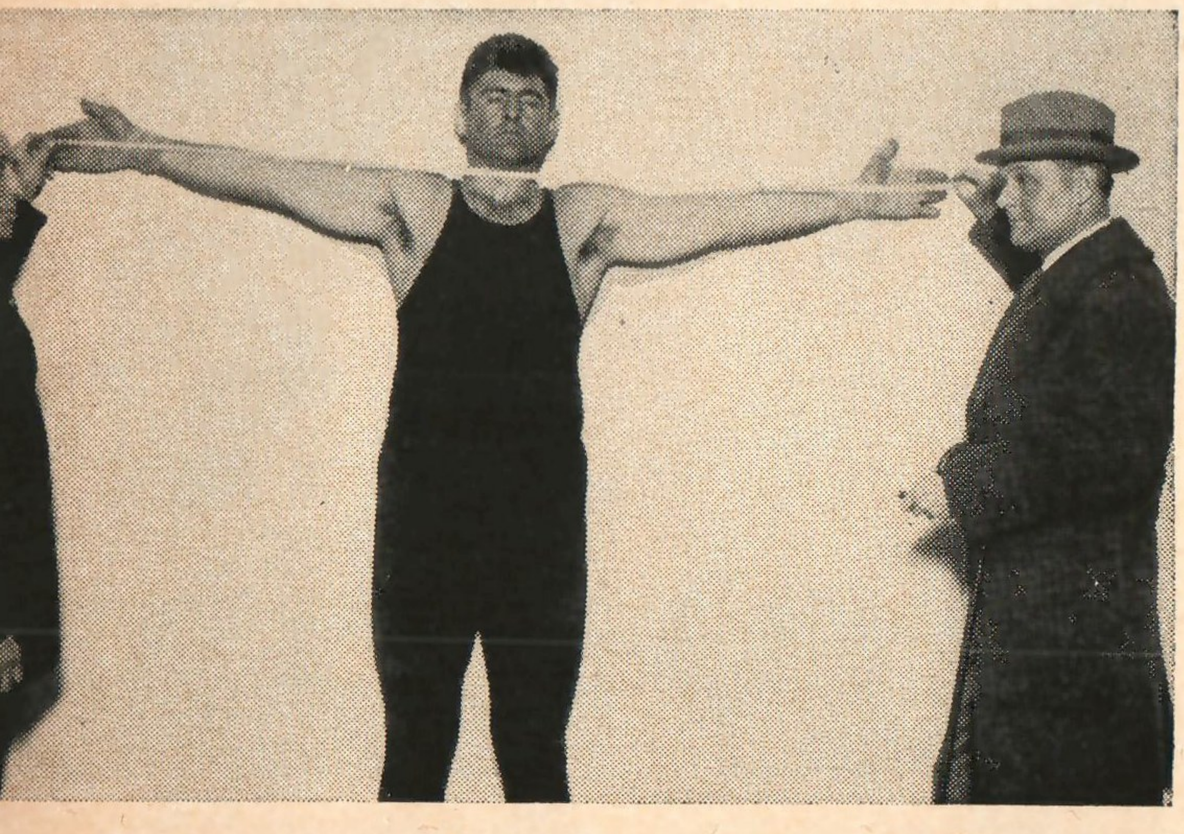
STATUE OF FIRPO EVOKES MEMORIES

Jack Dempsey, 70, gazes on picture of the Firpo statue and recalls that the Wild Bull belted him out of the ring in their 1923 fight, which lasted only two rounds.

Unveiling of Monument to Wild Bull, Who Died in August, 1960, Recalls Spectacular Career

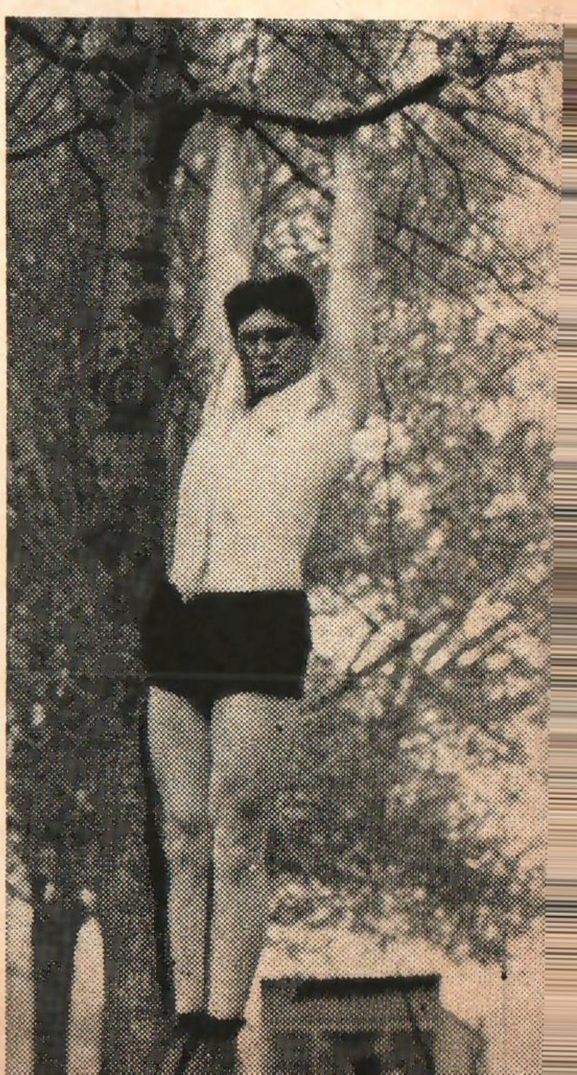


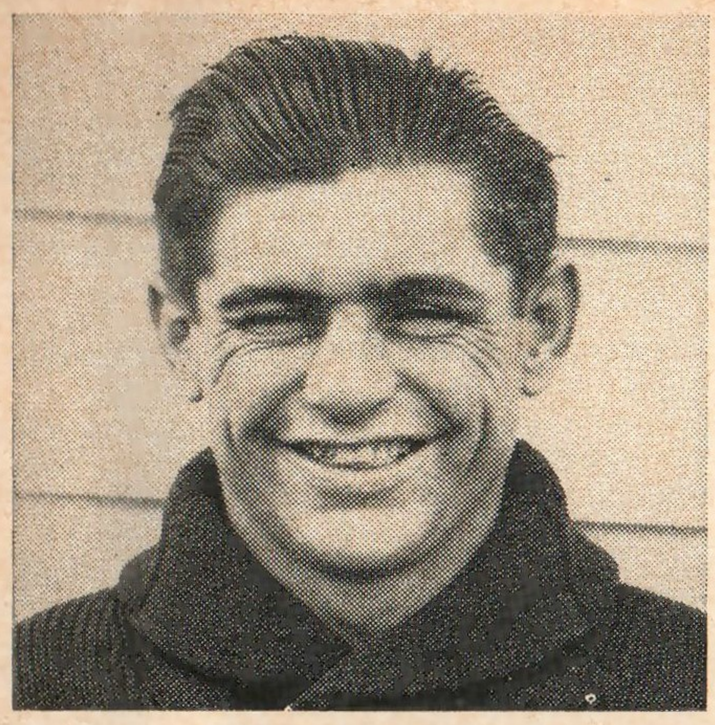
On the left, Luis Angel Firpo, of the Argentine Pampas, as he looked when he met Dempsey at the Polo Grounds in New York. Above, the recent unveiling of the Firpo monument in the Recoleta Cemetery in Buenos Aires. Few boxers thus have been honored.



Firpo is showing his remarkable reach of 79 inches. Willard's measured 83, Dempsey's 77, Carnera's 85½, Sonny Liston's 84. Clay's reach measures 82 inches. Tex Rickard is shown on the right.

While in training, the Wild Bull sometimes became the hanging monkey, as he went about suspending himself from branches here and there, and having a grand old monkey time.





The young, somewhat untutored but determined and ambitious Firpo as he faced the camera on his arrival in New York in March, 1922. He quit Gotham in December, 1924.

By DAN DANIEL

MEMORIES of the spectacular heavyweight championship fight in which Jack Dempsey knocked out Luis Angel Firpo, the Wild Bull of the Pampas, at the old Polo Grounds in New York on September 24, 1923, early in the second round, were revived by the recent unveiling of a bronze statue of Luis in a Buenos Aires cemetery.

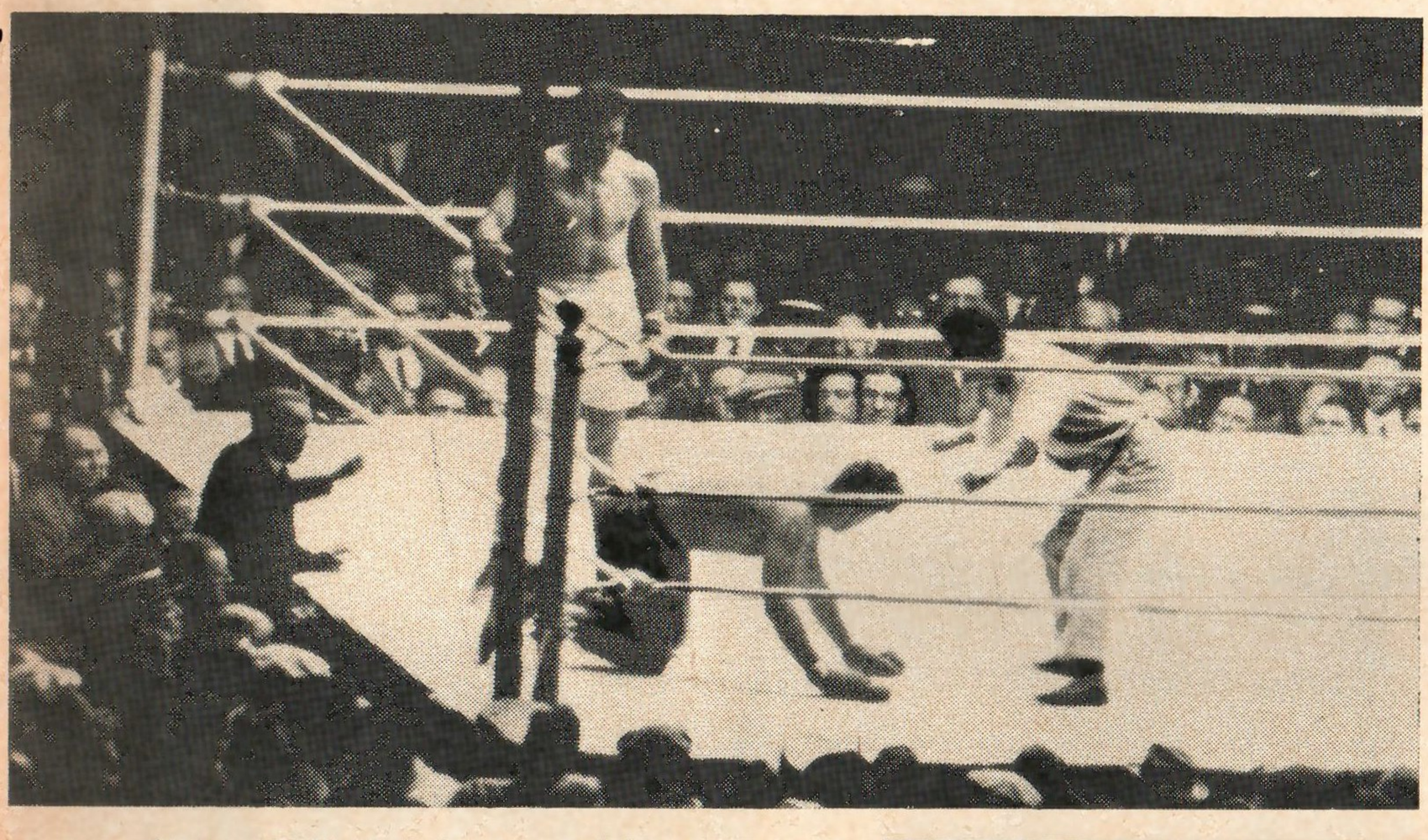
The battle in which the comparatively untutored Argentinian, a 3 to 1 second choice, made a valiant and dramatic bid for the title was without a parallel in boxing history.

For one thing, Firpo knocked Dempsey out of the ring. It has been said that if the foreigner had had a competent American manager in his corner he would have become the champion by refusing to go on because Dempsey was out of the ring for more than ten seconds, and was helped back by reporters.

However, Firpo made no such stand. He took a terrific pasting like a true gentleman of the Pampas and always was respected here for his gameness and his willingness to fight it out with one of the most savage hitters in heavyweight annals.

The story of the 57 second second round is one of the most spectacular to be found in boxing history.

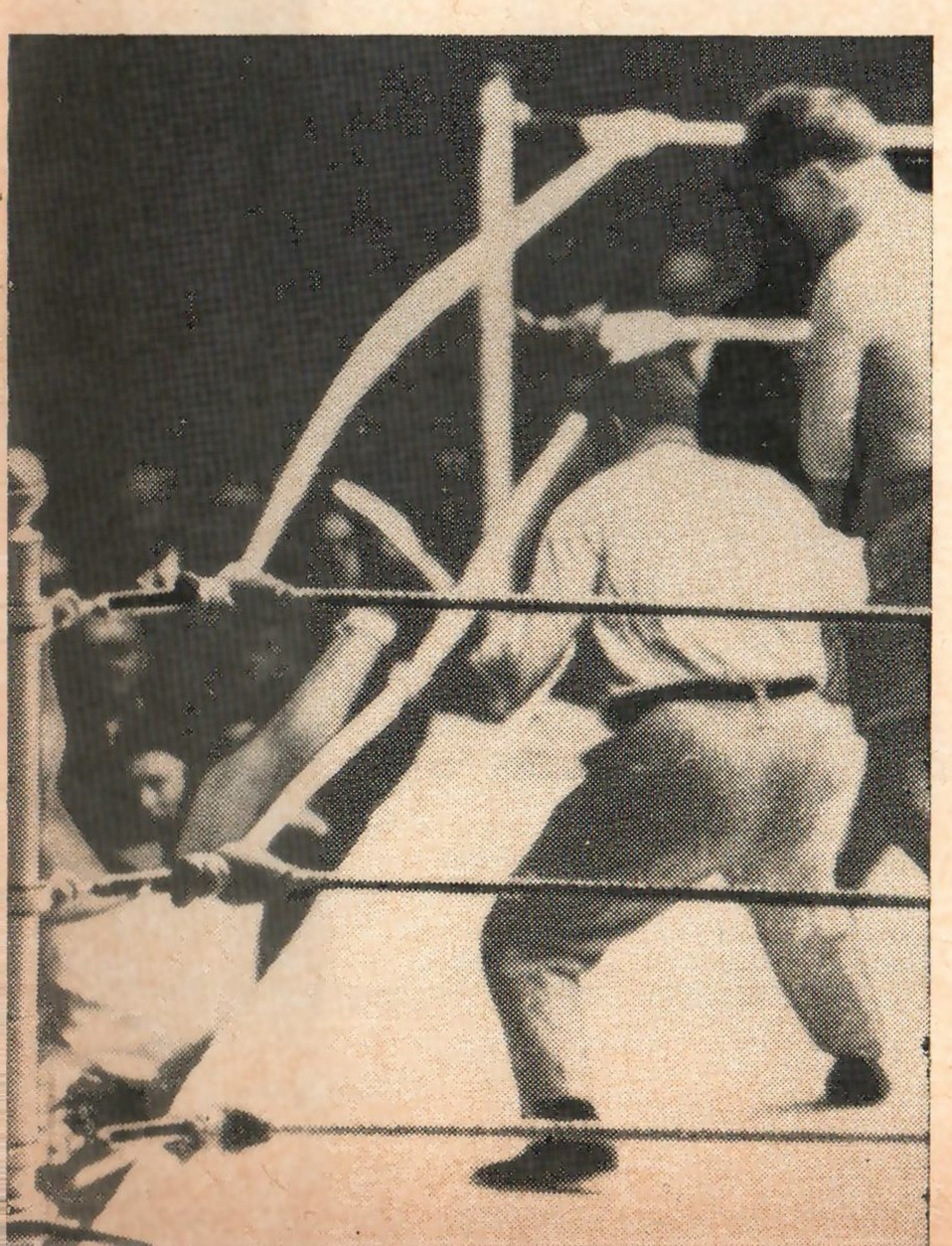
Firpo, who had been knocked down no fewer than seven times in the first round,

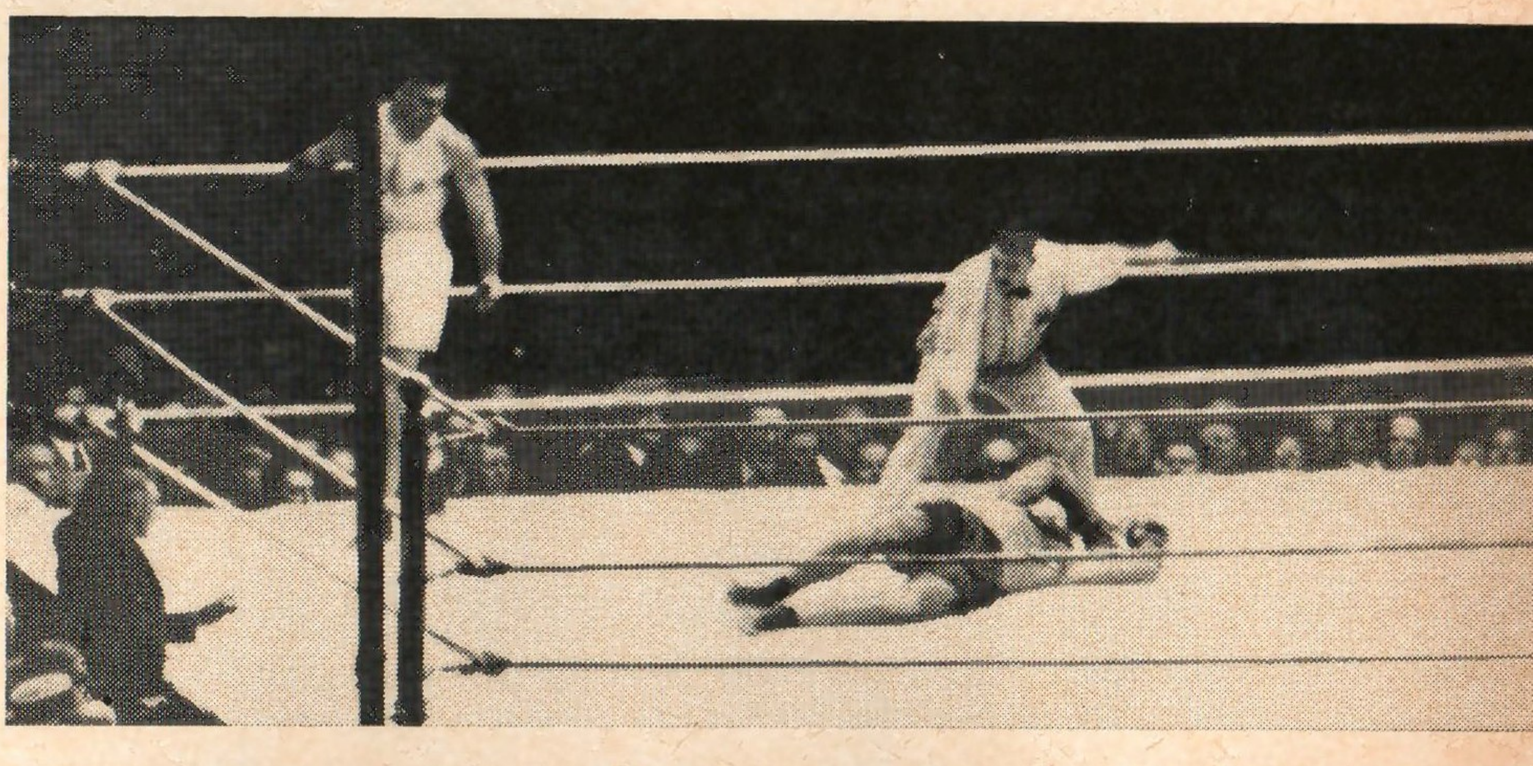


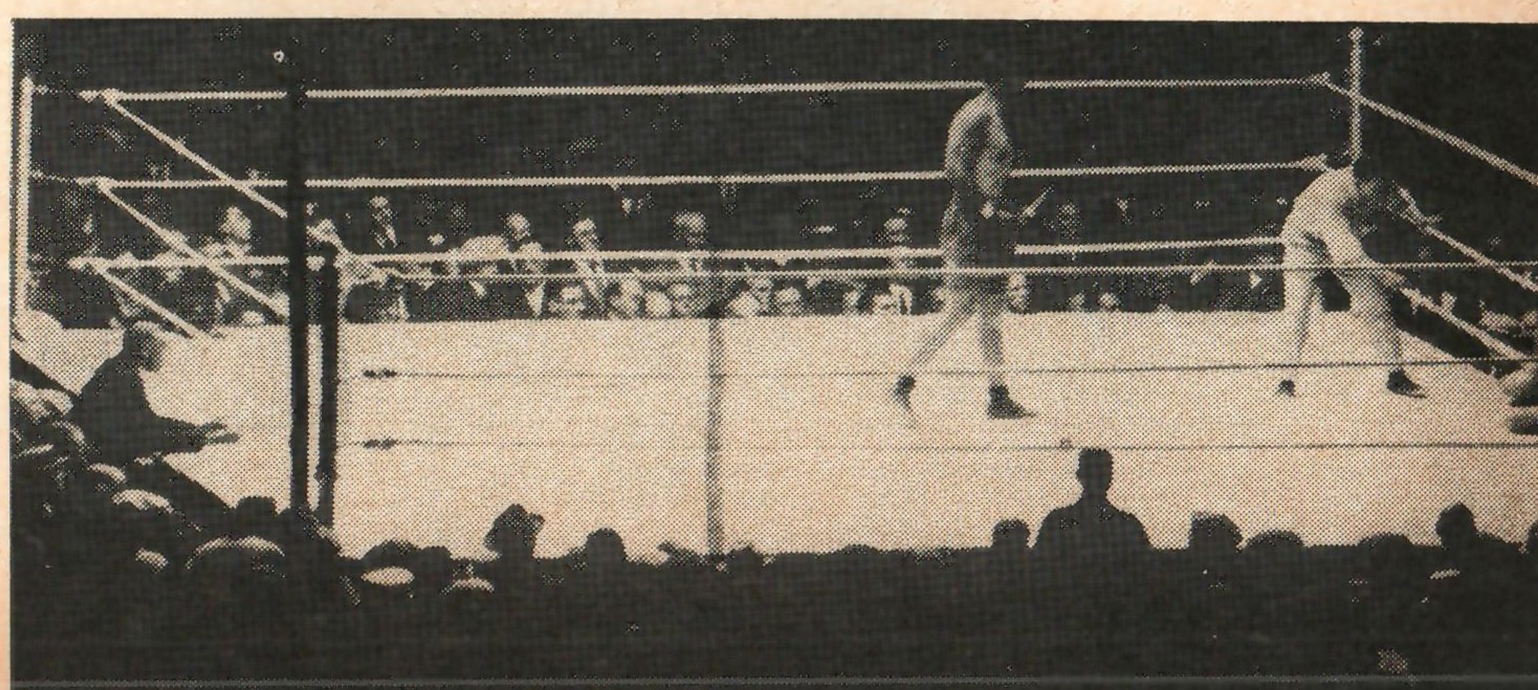
DEMPSEY vs. FIRPO

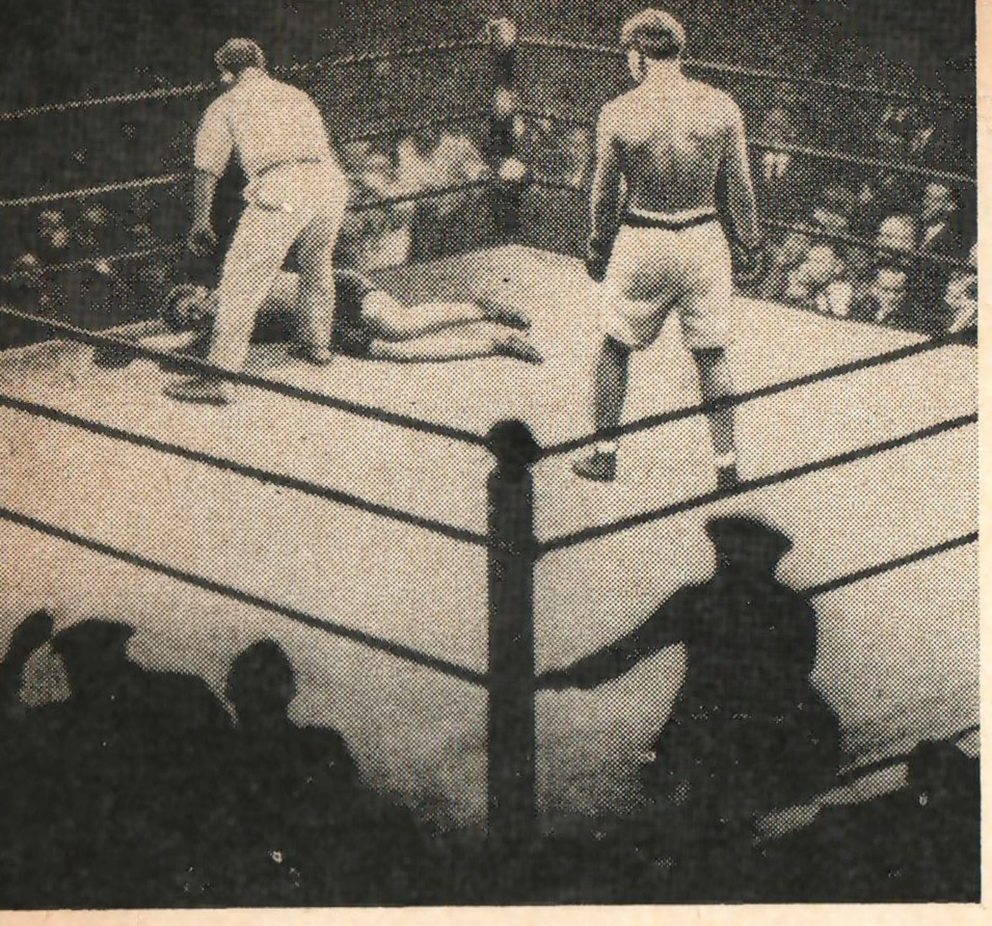
Firpo is on one of his nine trips to the canvas in less than two rounds against Dempsey. Referee Johnny Gallagher is picking up the count from knockdown timekeeper. Or, at least, that is the inference. They still say that Johnny forgot all about a count. Below we see Firpo down in the first round in the top photo. Referee Gallagher reached the count of nine when the Bull painfully got to his pins. He certainly looks dead enough in this picture. At the bottom, we see the Manassa Mauler saving the championship for himself by climbing back into the ring after he had been sent winging. The referee is supervising Dempsey's return. Where is Firpo? Right in the center of the ring, Mr. Gallagher!

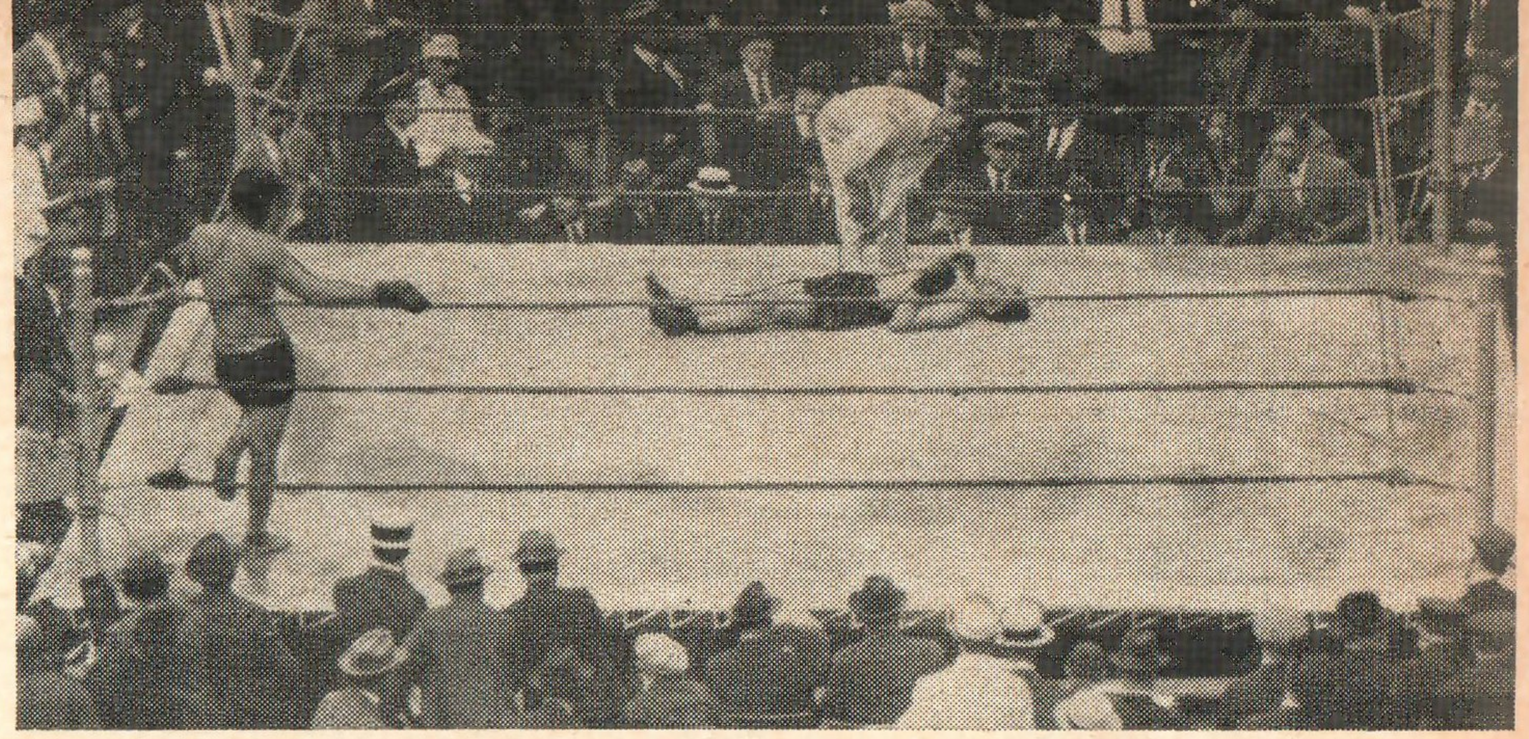
This is a graphic depiction of one of the most spectacular interludes in heavyweight history. The guy outside of the ring with his feet in the air is none other than the champion of the world, J. Dempsey.











On far left, Firpo is scoring his first victory in the United States, with a seven round KO over Sailor Maxted in Newark on March 20, 1922, one of the rarest photos in the boxing album. The above shot's locale is old Ebbets Field in Brooklyn, the date is May 13, 1922. The poor hombre stretched out on the flat of his back is Italian Jack Herman. He will not rise before a count of 20. It is the fifth round. Below we see Bill Brennan taking his ten against the Bull in New York on March 12, 1923.

hit the deck again twice in the second heat. The knockout was achieved with a combination, a left to the body and a terrific right to the jaw. Dempsey was knocked down twice in the opening round.

Dempsey, who had fought through the first round in a daze, had recovered fully when the gong sounded for the second heat. Jack was excited. He had been scared, and plenty, in the first three minutes, and felt that could not afford to allow the Bull to remain in the ring much longer. It was too dangerous.

Even in that second heat was Firpo close to victory. Early in the round he hit Dempsey with a right to the body which hurt and made Jack hold on for dear life. But he threw it off fast.

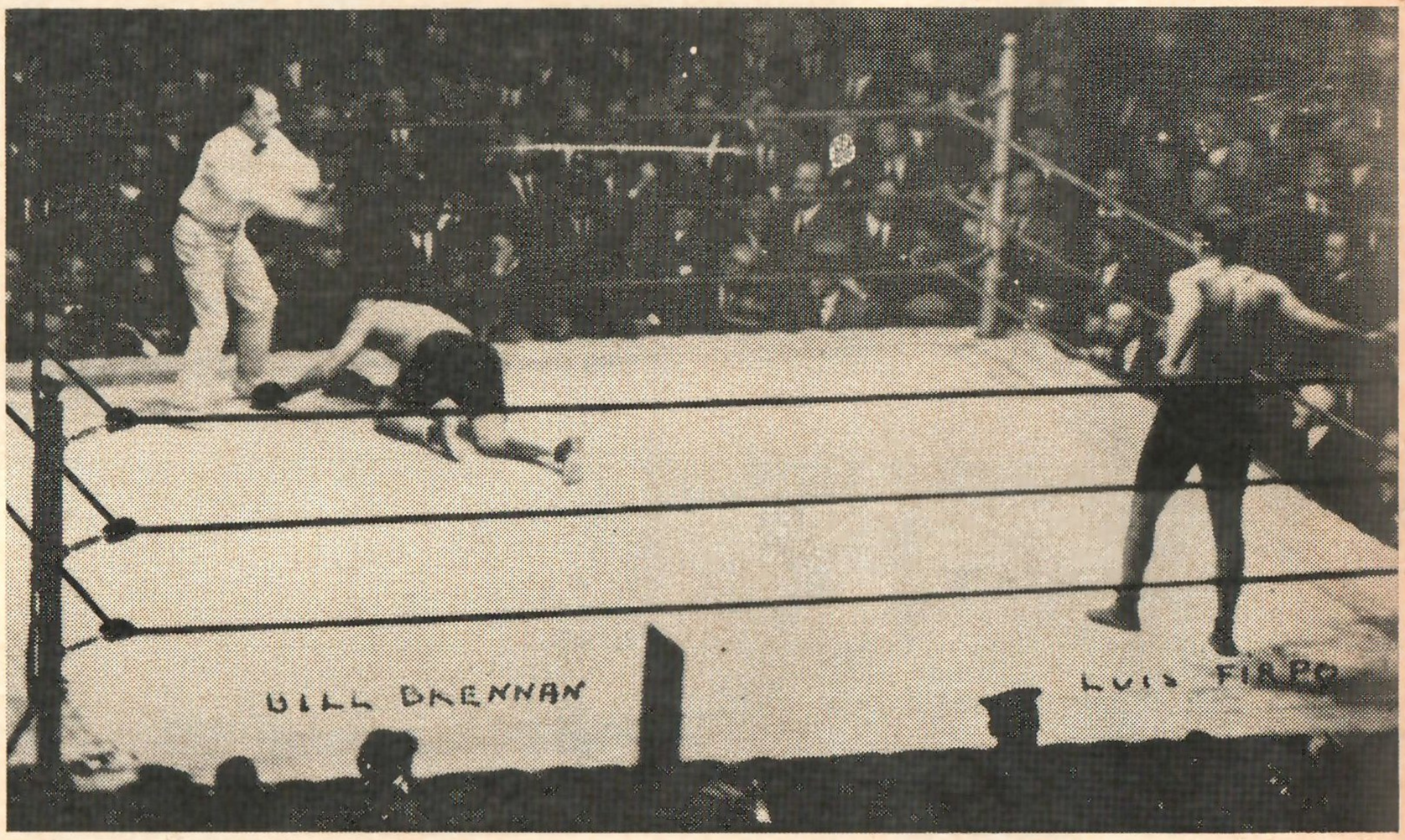
On the break, Dempsey delivered two deep hooks to the midriff. Another left to the body, two right uppercuts, and yet another left to the solar plexus, and the Bull was glad to jump into a clinch.

Dempsey shook him off and followed with a terrific body attack. Firpo folded up.

However, the end was not yet. The Argentinian took a count of only five. On arising he lashed out with his right and hit the Manassa Mauler in the neck.

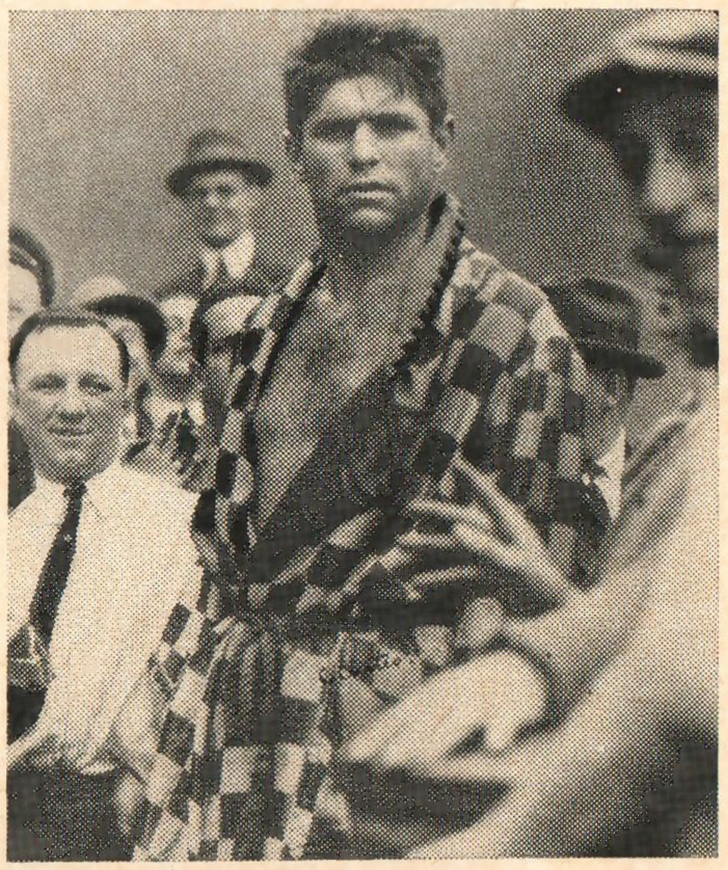
Soon Dempsey put over that left to the body and a short right to the jaw, and Luis Angel Firpo's championship quest came to an abrupt end.

Luis lay motionless for a couple of seconds, then started to writhe and twist as if in a convulsion—as well he might have been. No man's body was built to withstand the kind of battering to which he had been subjected.

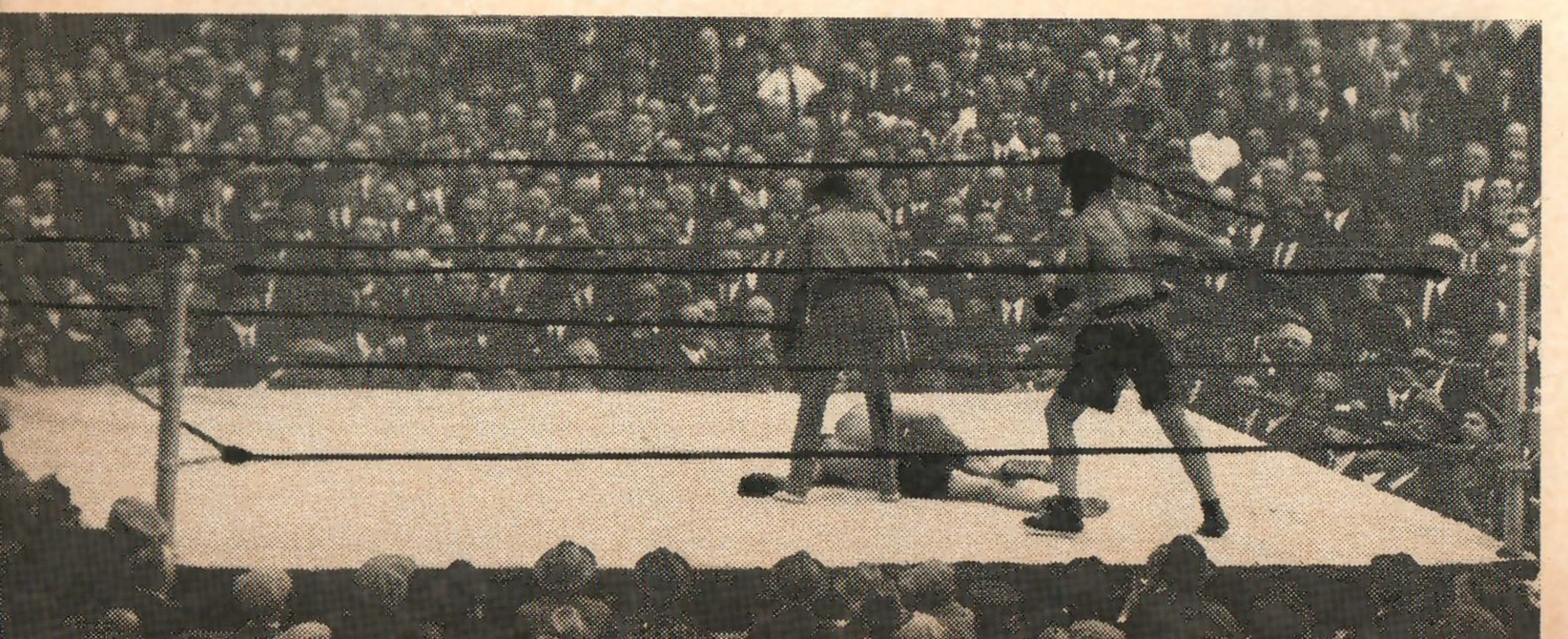


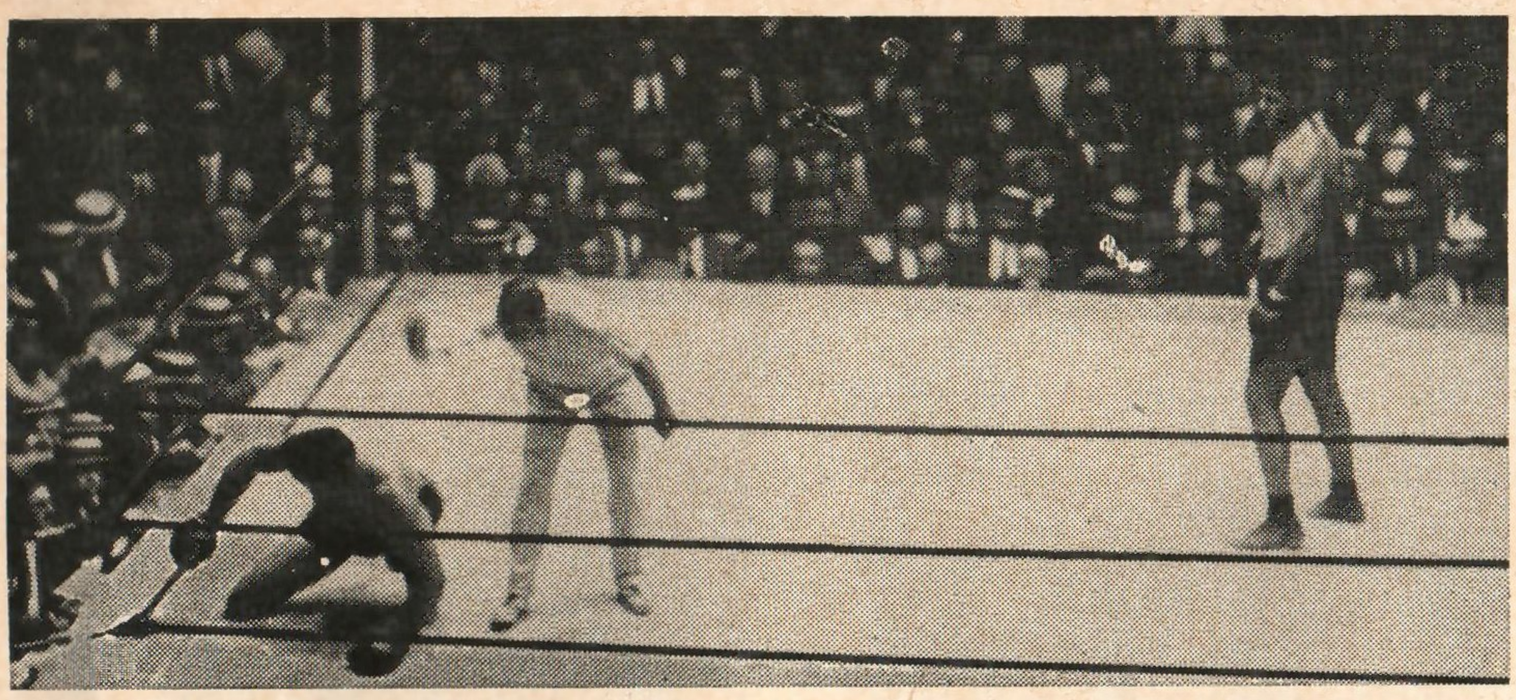
At five, Firpo rolled over on his back. He drew up a knee in agony and then was counted out. A valiant battler, if ever a valiant one had climbed through the ropes.

It may be said that Dempsey hit his prime that night by the Harlem River. He was four years away from his title acquisition from Jess Willard, and three years away from loss of the championship to Gene Tunney.



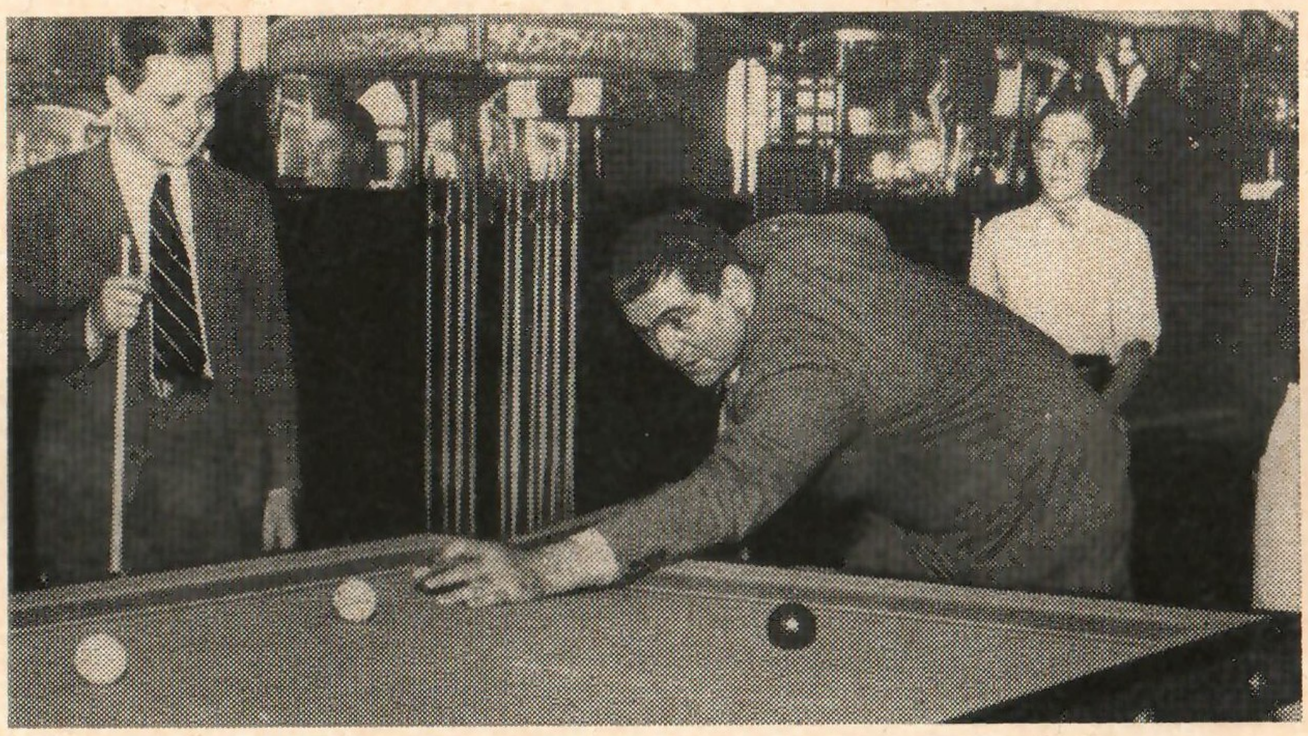
Above, Luis Angel Firpo, fighter, wearing his most belligerent look. On the left, we note that Jack McAuliffe 2nd, Detroit giant, has been stopped by Firpo in Yankee Stadium in the third round. A vehement poke to the head settled Jack's hash, on May 12, 1923.





Willard's Last Fight. The Wild Bull just has belted Big Jess out in the eighth round in Jersey City. This happened on July 23, 1923. Firpo was to have four more outings before his September joust with Dempsey.

On the right, Firpo in training with Jimmy De Forest, wearing the ever present cigar and cap, supervising his efforts.



On the left, Firpo posing with Harry Wills before their twelve round battle in Jersey City a year after the Bull's sad experience with Dempsey. Above, the South American is demonstrating his skill at billiards in Bueno Aires before his trip to the USA.

Firpo was the one fighter who attested to the promotional genius of Tex Rickard, the gambler. Tex had an innate appreciation of ballyhoo. He built Georges Carpentier into a "contender," under 170 pounds, in 1921.

He had the French "Orchid Man" go through secret workouts to build the illusion he was working on a type of punch Dempsey had never seen before.

Rickard found Firpo, an unskilled, awkward, gaucho weighing some 215 pounds, around Buenos Aires.

Luis had no amateur record. Luis had no record at all. But he looked like a fighter. He had the killer image. Something could be done with a guy like that. The times were right.

So Firpo was schooled. He had fought a lot of hams for three years and achieved some improvement.

In 1922, the time had come. Dempsey needed an opponent. So, amid a grand fanfare, Luis Angel Firpo, the Wild Bull of the Pampas, age 26, arrived in New York.

Now came the matter of picking a pigeon for the South American's American, or rather Metropolitan, debut.

It was decided to let the Abysmal Pampas Man work on one Sailor Maxted.

The locale for the tryout was Newark. Rickard et al did not want to risk showing him in New York.

Well, the Bull busted up the Sailor, who was quite obdurate, in seven. Two weeks later Firpo operated on Joe McCann, also in Newark, in six.

Explorers from Broadway reported that the Bull was raw, that he should have picked up more savvy in his three years of living off suckers in South America. But Firpo looked ferocious and might do well in New York with the proper Metropolitan buildup.

Firpo demolished Italian Jack Herman in Brooklyn, in five. Then Luis got homesick. He went back to Buenos Aires for a

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Dempsey-Firpo reunion. It happened in 1954, in Buenos Aires, where Jack had stopped on a tour. Two hard hitting compadres, no ill feeling, no rancor. Glad to see each other again.

PUNCH LINES

WE'LL DO OUR RATING, DAVE

(By Western Union out of Missoula, Mont.) Roger Rouse weighed in at 173½ pounds. Henry Hank weighed in at 182 pounds, therefore their bout was not a light heavyweight match and Roger Rouse's number one rating should not be in jeopardy regardless of outcome.

Montana Boxing Commission,
David Blatter, chairman;
Troy Evans, Commissioner

Editor's Note—Thanks very much, Dave and Troy. But we are capable of drawing our own conclusions and making our own ratings. We assume that you gave your permission for the fight. Where do you rate Hank? (Rouse won in ten).

WHY IS FOSTER IGNORED?

As an attorney representing Bob Foster, I question the decision of the Boxing Commissions giving title recognition to the *return* match between Dick Tiger and Jose Torres, ignoring Air Force veteran Bob Foster.

Time and again Foster has tried to get Roger Rouse and Eddie Cotton to meet him in an elimination contest. There is a standing offer of $10,000 from Vince McMahon, Washington, D.C. promoter, for Rouse to box Foster, 15 rounds, at 175 pounds.

Foster has had to oppose heavier opponents to keep in action. This includes matches against far heavier Ernest Terrell and Zora Folley. Neither Cotton nor Rouse has ever done this. Look at how spotty the record is of those who refused to box Foster. Their records include weak opponents like middleweights, Don Turner and Rudolph Bent, who are inferior names and inferior fighters who never would be allowed to train with Foster, let alone meet him in combat.

Roger Rouse should be forced to fight Foster. Foster has $100,000 ready to pay the champion for a match for the title. And Foster is willing to sign, should he win the title, to defend against any commission accepted challenger, within 30 days, and 30 days after that against any other contender.

Louis I. Kravitz, Attorney
New York, N.Y.

WANTS ANOTHER JOE LOUIS

It looks as if we've come full circle. Jack Johnson, a boxing genius, made the Negro boxer a disliked man. No one could bear the thought of another Negro champion. Along came Joe Louis, another boxing genius, who worked day and night (in and out of the ring), and regained the public's respect for the Negro in boxing.

Now we have Muhammad Ali, our third boxing genius, possessing enough potential to be the greatest of the three, who has undone Joe's work. The sad thing is that he managed to do most of it fighting another Negro—the dignified Ernie Terrell. What a pity that such a brilliant boxer should have to act so shabbily and at the same time profess to be a minister of religion. Where do we find another Joe Louis?

Mick O'Hara
Erith, Kent,
England

WHY IS LINCOLN UNRATED?

I have noticed in the Ring, that Amos Lincoln has been dropped from your ratings. I do not understand how you can remove a fighter like Lincoln from your ratings, but rate George Chuvalo. For the last year Chuvalo has fought "C" and "D" fighters (excluding Clay and Bonavena) and has not proved that he deserves a rating.

I saw Chuvalo's fight with 189 pound Dave Russell. It was a total farce, with Chuvalo hitting him at will. I believe I would have been a better opponent. So why scratch a fighter of Lincoln's class?

Your barring Lincoln smells of prejudice.

Bob McIntyre
St. John, N.B., Can.

Editor's Note—Lincoln made a farcical showing against Persol, who was stopped in one by Ellis. Lincoln was knocked out by Jimmy Fletcher in two. Let Amos revive his class and he will return to the ratings.

HE LIKES EMILE GRIFFITH

Hats off to Emile Griffith, a gentleman and a fine representative of our fight game. Emile's remarks at the conclusion of the Archer contest were so appropos as a result of the childish antics and unsportsman-like conduct pulled off by a constant loser, Freddie Brown. Emile remarked before the TV cameras, "Listen, I told Joey, if you wanted it so badly, you should have come to me a little more to take it away. After all it's not only the money, I've got pride too."

I certainly miss the likes of Tuzo "Kid" Portuguez, Jimmy Flood, Wilfie Greaves and Robert Villamain. Good luck Griffith.

Joel Lipsitt, 1st Lt. USAF
March AFB, Calif.

IN DEFENSE OF TURPIN

In Nat Fleischer's "A Pictorial History of Boxing", there is one sentence which left me depressed. On page 220, his description of Ray Robinson's physical condition when fighting Randy Turpin derogated one of Britain's greatest dates in boxing history—July 10, 1951.

Sugar Ray was the greatest pound-for-pound fighter but there is always one "dark horse" for every great champion. Robinson's was Turpin. Randy Turpin was one of the most complete boxers who ever set foot in a ring, certainly the hardest single-punching middleweight that ever graced these isles but lacking in one aspect, the mentality of a real "great."

He was certainly Robinson's nemesis and in the return contest which I can still see quite clearly in my mind's eye, Robinson was on a one way ticket to defeat when he landed a series of punches that only a great champion can. It was the end of Turpin.

The way to be a great champion is to do what Sugar Ray was doing in July 1951, travelling the world and fighting the best. Any boxer who goes 15 rounds with a man who punches as hard as Turpin did is O.K.

K. G. Miller
Royal Navy of England

ABOUT CRUELTY IN RING

After his fights with Ernie Terrell and Floyd Patterson, Muhammad Ali was accused of being a sadistic fighter, a cruel man with a tremendous enlargement of the killer instinct.

I did not go for that mawkish comment, and I was glad when Ali defended himself the afternoon he signed for another go, since cancelled, with Patterson.

Muhammad said, "If a fight is cruel and sadistic it can be stopped. If I was cruel against Terrell, his corner had three towels handy. All they had to do was to throw one into the ring.

"If I was cruel and sadistic, there was referee Harry Kessler. All he had to do was to wave me to my corner.

"If I was cruel, there was the official doctor. All he had to do was to come into the ring, examine Terrell's eyes, and tell Kessler to end it.

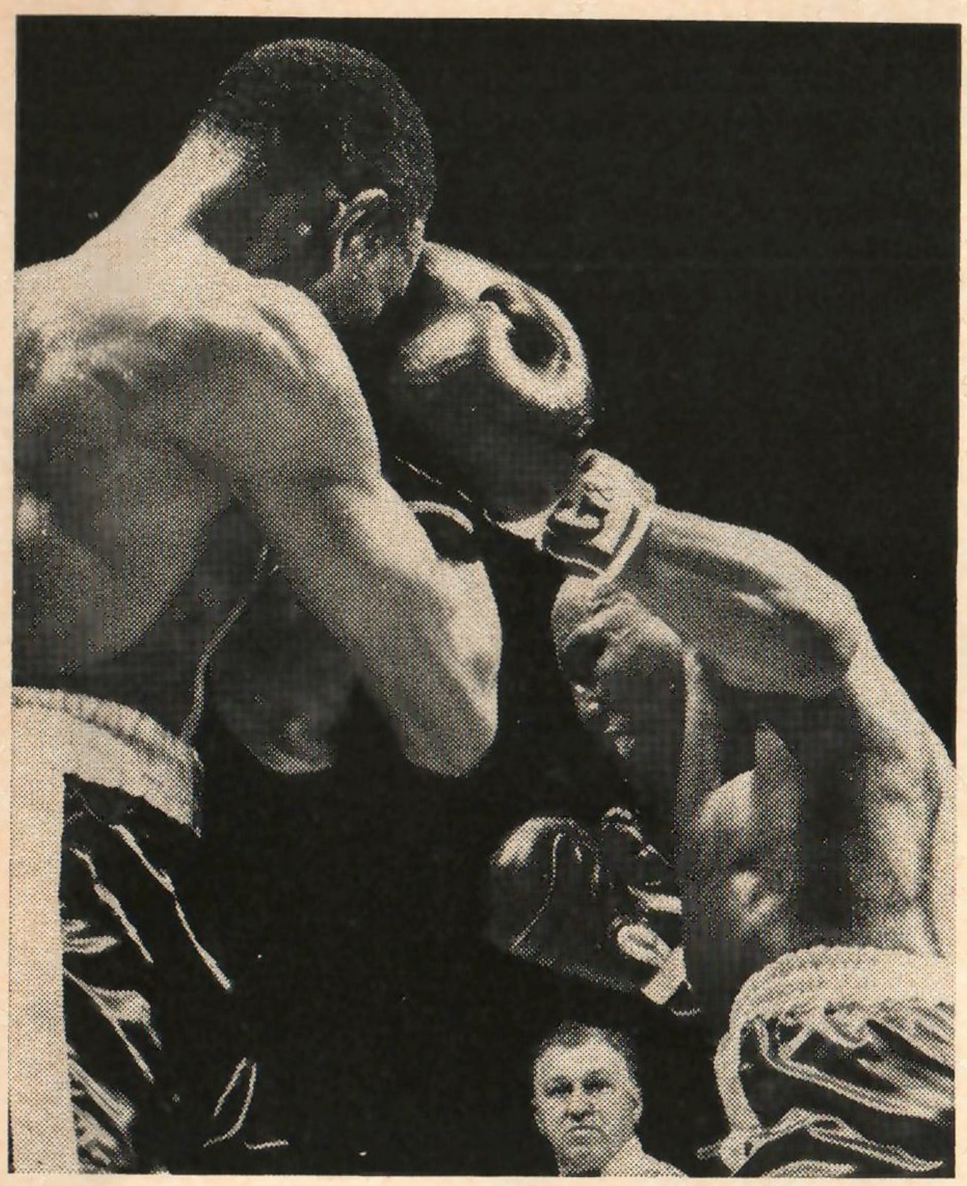
"If I was cruel, the chairman of the boxing commission down at Houston had only to order Kessler to stop the fight.

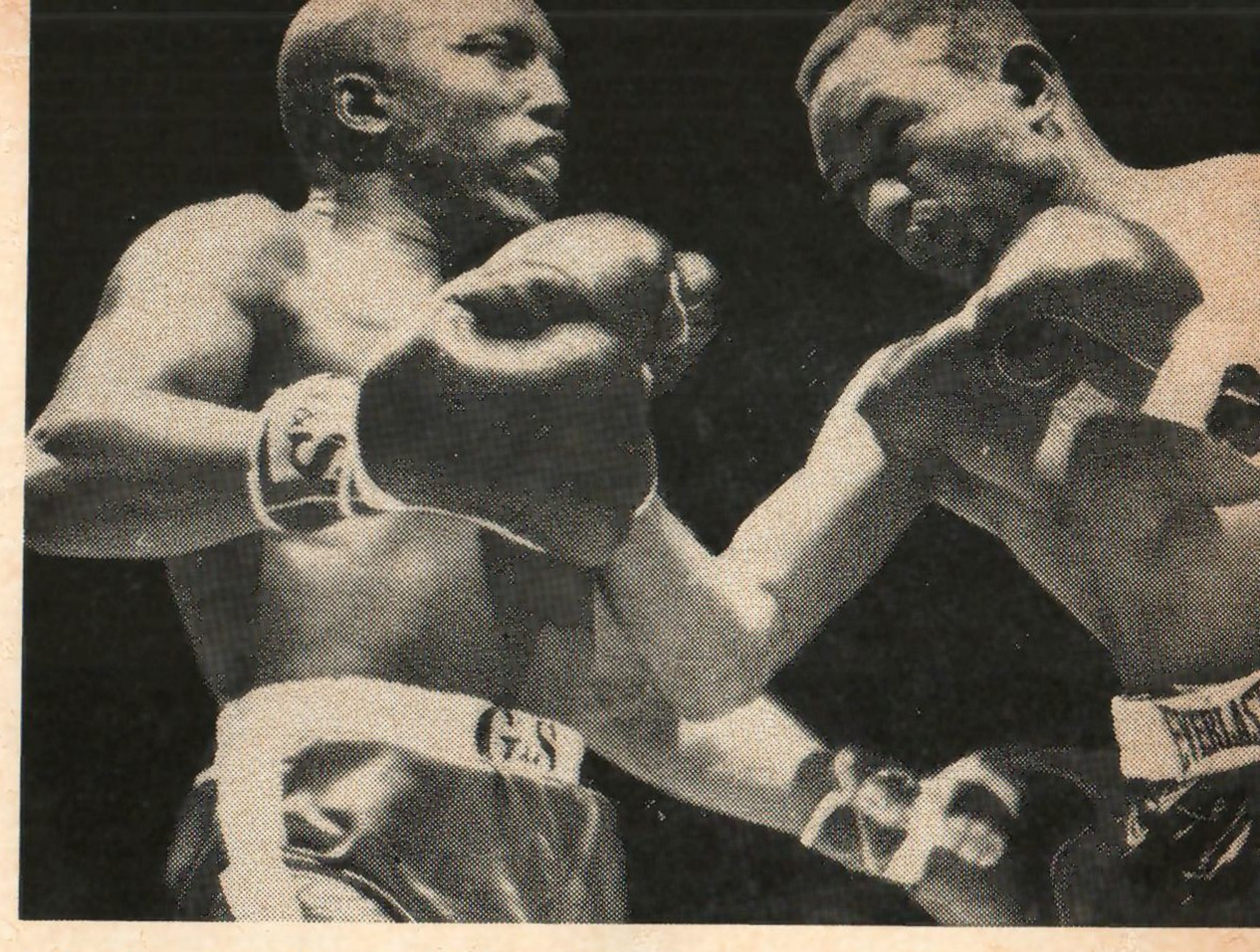
"In short, there were many men who could have ended the contest if they wanted to. But they did not end it, and the newspapers attacked me unmercifully."

I say that Muhammad Ali made out a fine case for himself. Does The Ring back him up?

Fred Harrington
New York, N.Y.

Editor's Note—The Ring has supported Clay Ali to the full. It did not join in the post-Terrell fight yammer about cruelty. As Cassius pointed out, many persons were in authority that night in Houston, with the legal ability to stop a cruel contest. It was not stopped.





On the left welterweight king Curtis Cokes (left) gets a fistful of leather from Gypsy Joe Harris during their ten-round non-title encounter at Madison Square Garden.

Above, we see Harris stunned by a Cokes' right during the fourth round. Gypsy Joe displayed some bizarre antics during the bout.

IF GYPSY JOE LACKS SKILLS, HE STILL GIVES YOU A LAUGH

By GEORGE GIRSCH

IT TAKES two to make a fight. But Curtis Cokes, world welterweight champion, and Gypsy Joe Harris, Philadelphia clown, couldn't get together on that point. Their non-title bout in Madison Square Garden was dull, unnecessary. The sparse attendance, composed mostly of Philadelphians, judging by the applause at every weird movement of their idol, enjoyed Gypsy's antics. But as a fight, it was a bomb.

Cokes, making his first appearance in New York as a world champion and Gypsy, making his debut in the Garden, failed to live up to expectations.

Gypsy won the unanimous decision with referee Pete Della voting 7-2-1; judge Joe Armstrong, 7-3; and judge Bill Recht, 4-3-3. The Ring card favored Harris by 6-4.

Cokes ungraciously shouted that he was jobbed by a hometown verdict.

"They wanted to build up Harris as a New York attraction for a championship match, so they took what belonged to me and handed it to him. He's just an ordinary fighter. He never hurt me.

"He hits with an open glove. Since he got the decision, I'll give him a chance at the title. It won't be in New York or Philadelphia. He'll have to find someone to guarantee me $50,000."

Gypsy, who fights with belly dancer gyrations, kept coming at his opponent often with hands at his sides, open-gloved, snorting, body swinging. His bizzare movements outdid the Cassius Clay shuffle as a theatrical performer. Gypsy is a throwback to Hurricane Jackson.

He was outscored by the champion in ring cleverness. Cokes' jabs landed with effect, but he didn't pursue his advantage after proving that all one required to check Harris's rushes was a straight left. Gypsy is a wide open target for that offense.

Cokes, an excellent boxer with a splendid left jab, showed his true form only briefly in the third and fourth rounds and again in the tenth and final round. The 29-year-old champion scaling 149 to 151 for Cokes, jarred Harris's head every time he pumped the left out straight.

Cokes won the title in his bout with Jean Josselin in 15 rounds in Dallas. He cut Jean badly with lefts. Why he failed to follow that style against Harris, only he can explain. Gypsy popped low punches that failed to attract the attention of referee Della.

Noted for his sartorial splendor in the ring—the first boxer ever to wear "double-breasted shorts"—Harris, age 22, definitely is a crowd-pleaser.

The book hasn't been written yet to explain this fighter's unique technique. He employs a variety of punches, motions, weaves, and backoffs, with ballet-like aesthetics and no little mirth.

His managers-trainers, Yank Durham and Willie Reddish, allow him full license to fight in his own manner.

Gypsy Joe's trade-marks include completely red garb—shoes, socks, towels and robe—as well as a completely shaved head. Of the latter he says, "the punches slide off easy".

The 147 pound, 5'5" former Golden Gloves welterweight started training at the age of 9 when he was chased down the street by a bunch of bullies and ran into the safety of a boxing gym. He has been fighting ever since. He won 70 amateur fights and lost only 3.

Harris turned professional in 1964 under the management of Durham and Reddish and has won all of his 18 pro fights, 8 by knockouts.

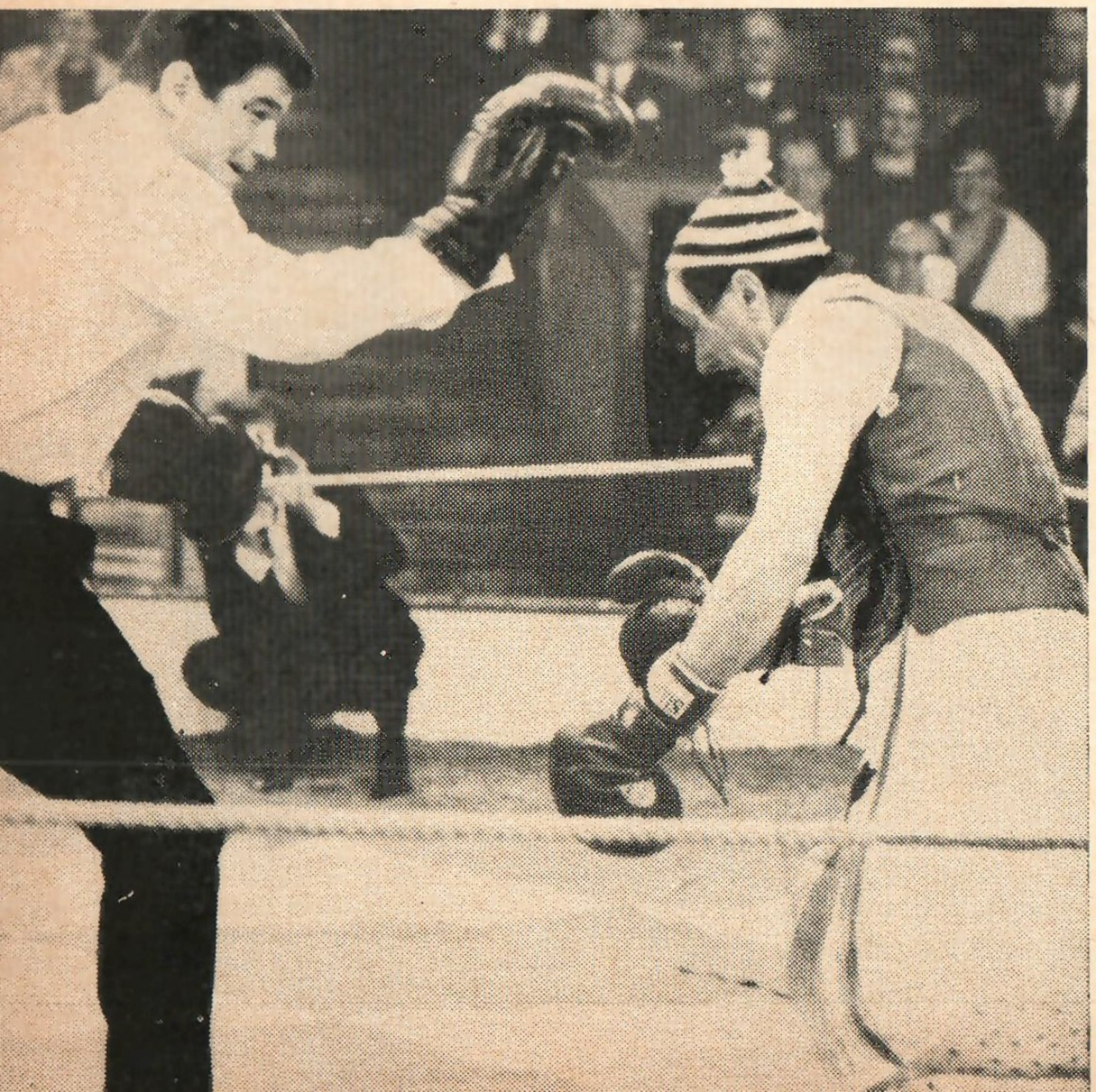
Joe's managers say he is the most *(Continued on page 38)*

(LEFT)
Former middleweight champion Jake LaMotta whispers sweet nothings to his fiancee, Colleen Farrington, at their recent engagement party in New York.

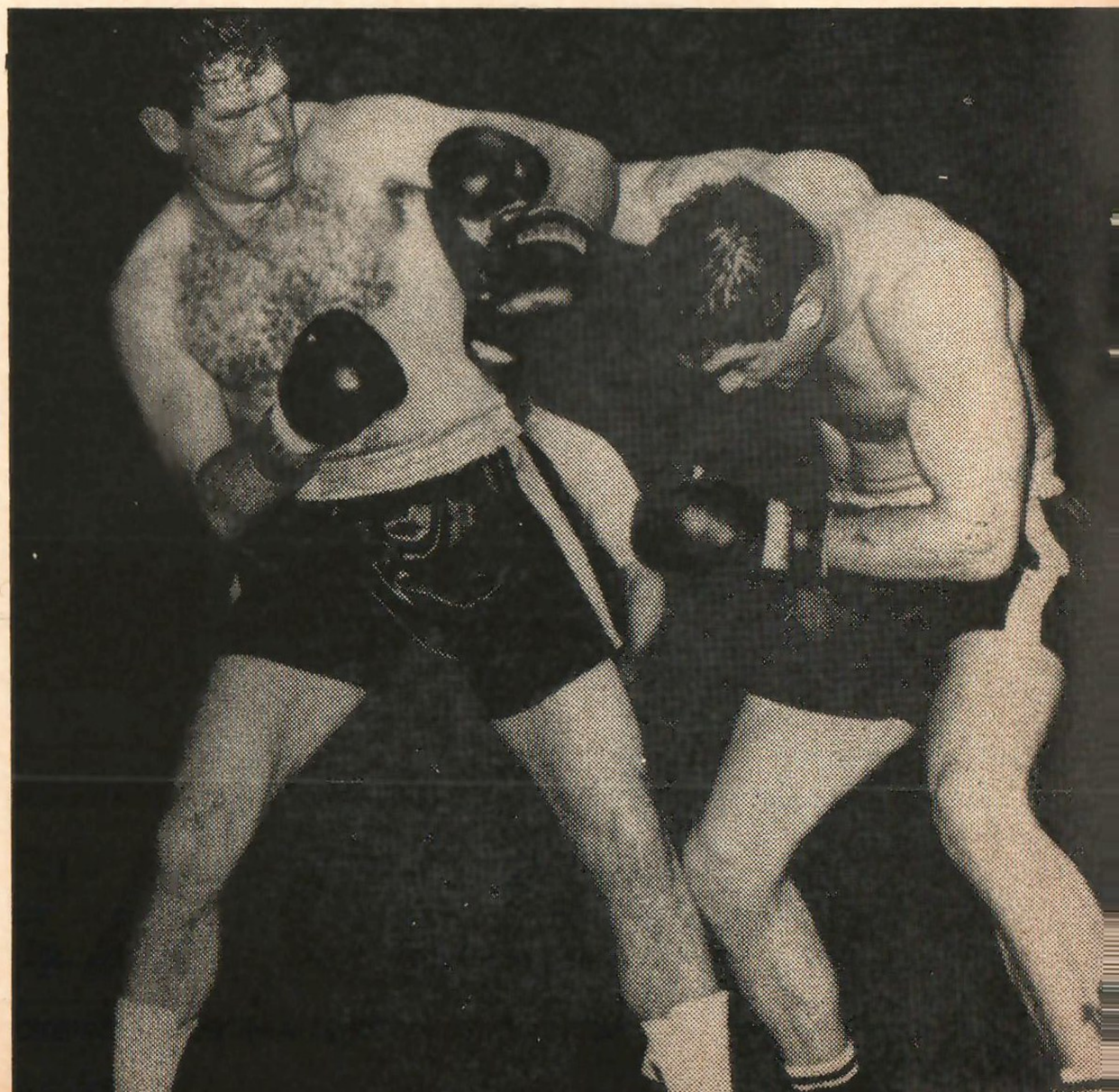
(RIGHT)
No, that's not Isaak Walton contemplating a white whale, it's Carmen Basilio, ex-welter and middle king waiting for some trout at Naples Creek, N.Y.

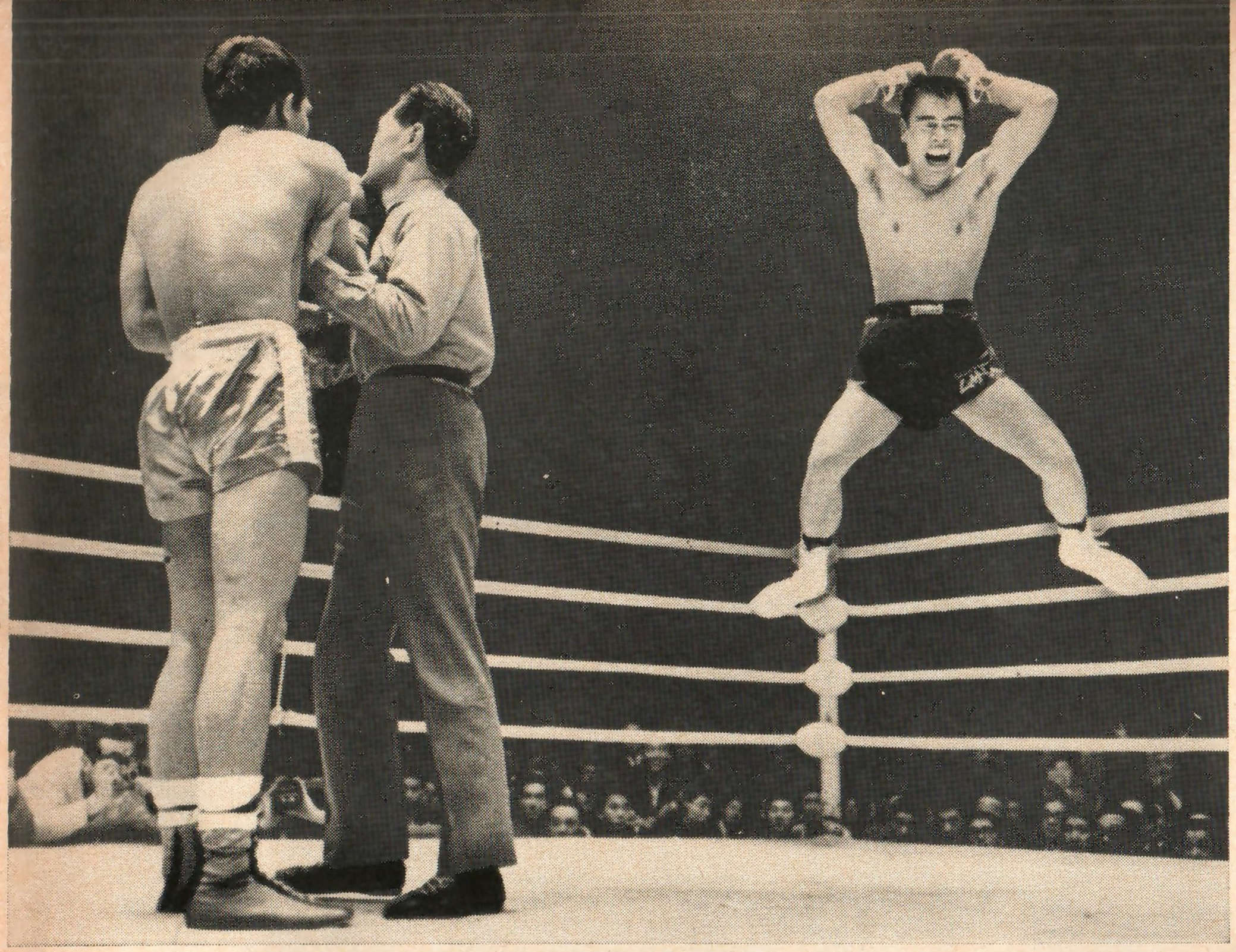
RING CAMERA CLICKS

European heavyweight champion Karl Mildenberger does some clowning around during a gala performance of the Circus Krone in Munich, Germany. Karl and the audience are getting a kick out of it.



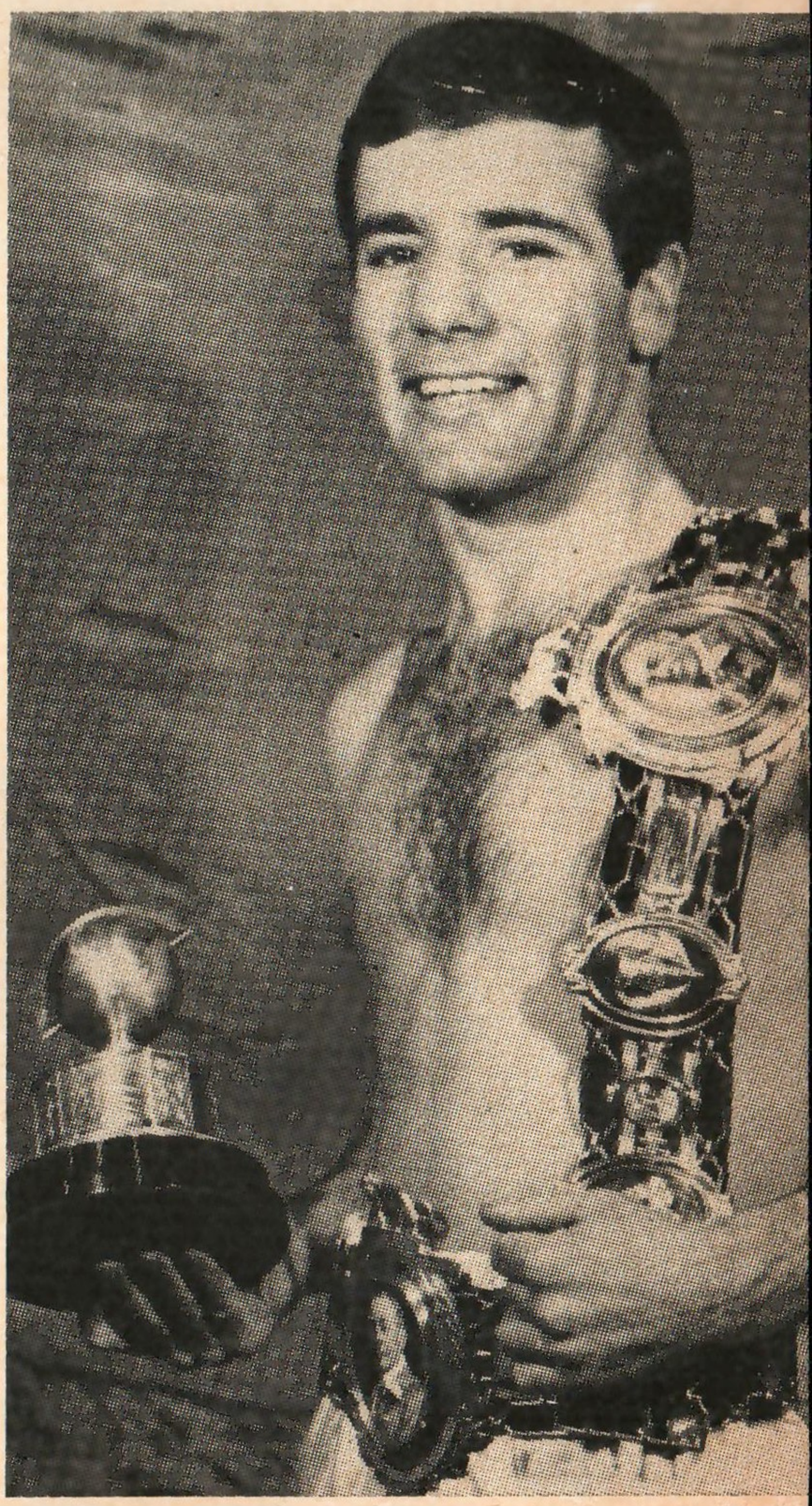
Boone Kirkman (right), Jack Hurley's new heavyweight sensation, in the act of defeating Wayne Heath in a ten-round contest at Portland, Oregon. Note the tattoo on Boone's left ankle.

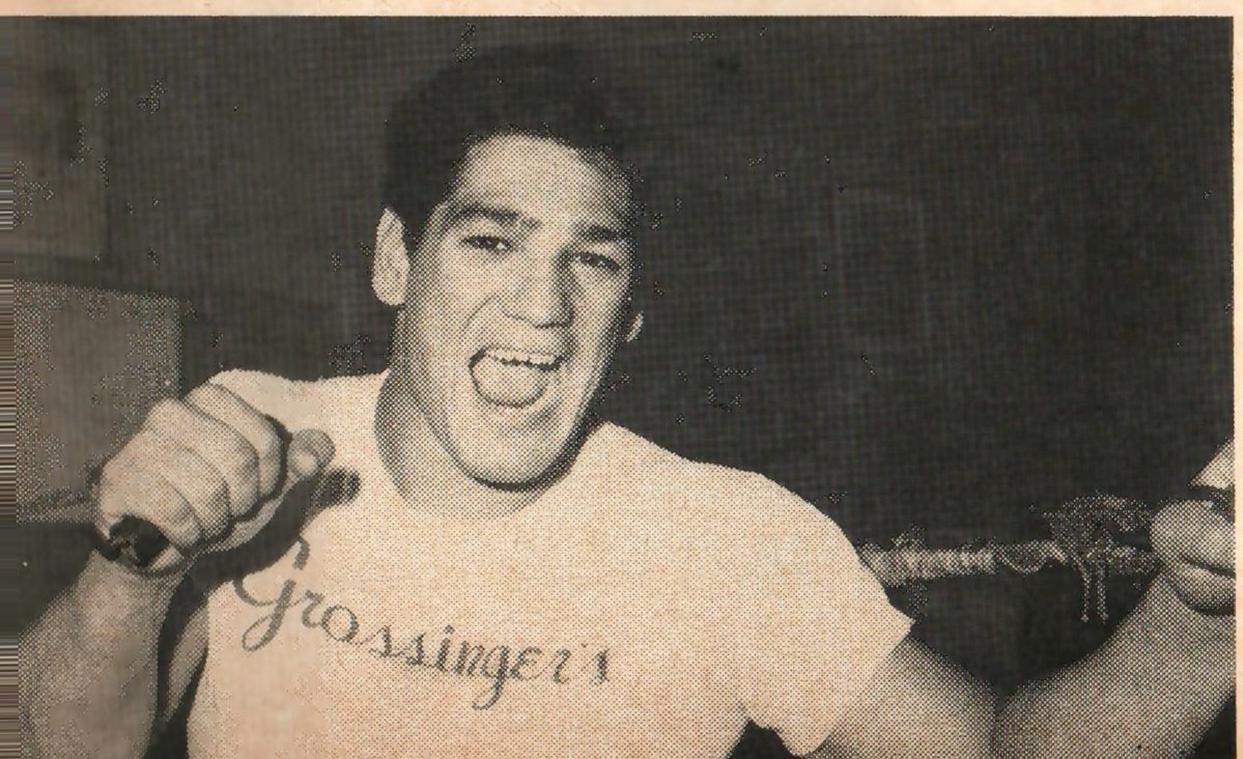




Orient welterweight champion Musashi Nakano of Japan literally jumps for joy after kayoing Thailand's Apidej Sithiran in the third round of their Tokyo contest.

Heavyweight Hubert Hilton takes one on the chin from Pan Am stewardess Merlyn Lloyd before boarding jet clipper for Buenos Aires bout with Oscar Bonavena (below). Argentinian also clipped Hubert pretty good, knocking him out in the tenth and final round.





Handsome Walter McGowan, British and British Empire bantamweight titleholder, proudly displays the British Board of Boxing Control championship trophy and the coveted Lord Lonsdale Belt.

SEEN AND HEARD

By JERSEY JONES

SEAMEN GET INTO BOXING

SOMETHING new has been added to the New York boxing scene.

The National Maritime Union is taking an active interest in the leather-tossing trade, and has equipped a modern gymnasium in its headquarters building, directly opposite the C.Y.O. in West 17th Street, just off 9th Avenue.

Time was, and not so long ago, when training quarters for fighters were fairly abundant in the metropolitan area, but one by one they vanished and since the departure of Lew Stillman's ancient base of operations a dozen or so years ago, the fighters haven't had much of a variety of spots in which to do their prepping. The only ones now functioning in Manhattan are Harry Wiley's, at Broadway and 136th Street; Joe Garfield's at 8th Avenue and West 31st Street, and one fitted out by Gil Clancy on the second floor of a public bath house in West 28th Street, near 9th Avenue. Then, of course, there is Bobby Gleason's in the Bronx.

For the convenience of main event performers in Madison Square Garden, the House That Tex Built occasionally rigs up training quarters in its basement Exhibition Hall.

The Maritime Union's venture into the gymnasium field is not exactly unique in the trade. When Dick Tiger was prepping for his middleweight title-winning episode with Gene Fullmer in San Francisco in 1962, he worked out in a modern gym in the Seaman's Institute near the waterfront.

It may have been San Francisco's ideal setup that prompted the New York maritime officials to follow suit.

SANDY SADDLER IN CHARGE

Former world featherweight champion Sandy Saddler, a member of the Union, is in charge of the N.M.U. gym, and he has a capable staff of assistants to help him. Sandy not only acts as coach and trainer but also as a manager, although he does not "cut" into any fighter's purse. He is paid a salary by the Union, which takes care of the fighter's payoff, holding out part of it for a sort of pension fund for the boy when he retires.

The N.M.U. can be a real boon to the local fight industry by the box-office support of its proteges. When Victor Baerga was signed recently for a main bout at Sunnyside Garden, the Union purchased $3,000 worth of tickets for its members, and the $1,400 Baerga received for the bout was far and away the largest pay he had known in his brief career.

SO LONG, AL!

Among the recent obituary dispatches was one reporting the passing in an Orange, N.J., hospital of personable, happy-go-lucky Al Thoma, 69.

Born in Germany and brought to the U.S. as a toddling tot, Thoma became one of the classiest boxers in the Newark area, and collected a batch of amateur titles before enlisting in the Blue and Gray Division in World War I.

In Europe, Al won the featherweight laurels of the First, Second and Third Army Corps, and qualified for the A.E.F. championship finals at the Cirque de Paris. It was a bitter disappointment to him when he had to withdraw from the tourney because of an injured ankle. Thoma would have been no worse than an even-money bet to outpoint the eventual featherweight winner, Johnny Fundy.

Returning to Newark after the war, Al boxed professionally for a few years, but his exceptional skill made it difficult getting "name" opponents into the ring with him, and he retired from active competition in 1924.

Turning to teaching and training, Thoma worked with many of Jimmy Johnston's and Charley Harvey's entries, among them Tom Heeney, Steve Hamas, Pete Latzo and Phil Scott. He also put in a long stretch as athletic director of the influential Newark A.C.

Next to missing the A.E.F. championships in Paris, Thoma's biggest disappointment in boxing was the failure of a heavyweight protege, Joe Cheshul of Bayonne, to scale the heights. Thoma spent considerable time, effort and money in developing Cheshul, and the young man was regarded as an exceptional prospect. He reached his peak when he made things interesting for Joe Louis in a ten-round exhibition in the Newark Armory in 1946, but he faded rapidly thereafter and never did realize Thoma's optimistic hopes for him.

In recent years Al had been living in Springfield and keeping active as physical conditioner at the Shackamaxon Country Club in Scotch Plains.

A grand guy, Al Thoma, and a thorough boxing buff. What's left of the old fight crowd in and around Newark will miss him and his breezy disposition.

THESE AND THOSE

Another recent obit item was Ernest (Dynamite) Jackson, 55, counted out at the U.C.L.A. medical center in Los Angeles.

Jackson, a native of Oklahoma, grew up in L.A., graduated from a high school there, and was an industrious campaigner during his professional ring career. At one time in the '30s he claimed the Pacific Coast heavyweight title. Among the more prominent opponents he met were Ace Hudkins, Ernie Schaaf, Maxie Rosenbloom and Jim Braddock. When he quit fighting, he became the first Negro licensed as a referee in California.

With Dick Diveronica's spectacular 6th-round k.o. of highly-touted "Sweet Herbie" Lee in Baltimore, veteran manager Joe Netro has ample reason to howl for recognition of his Syracusan as a contender for the world welterweight title. DiVeronica is a protege of former welterweight and middleweight champion Carmen Basilio, who was co-managed by Netro, an ex-Syracusan himself, now a citizen of Ithaca.

The Grand Old Man of New York amateur boxing, Benny Levine, is celebrating 60 years with the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Union. When we return from Europe, we intend getting in touch with Benny for a yarn on his long, eventful association with simon-pure leather-tossing in these parts. It should make for some highly interesting reading. Aside from the annual Golden Gloves eliminations, there isn't much amateur boxing in the metropolitan area nowadays. but Levine is still on the job and doing the best he can with what's available.

After getting a peek at Ray Anderson posting a quick k.o. in San Francisco, the Ol' Mongoose, Archie Moore, was quoted as saying the 22-year-old Akronite was the best light-heavyweight prospect he had seen recently,

and predicted the Ohioan would be a "sure champion in three years." A second cousin of the late world featherweight title-holder, Davey Moore, Anderson, after a brilliant amateur career, has accounted for twelve consecutive wins as a pro, seven of them by k.o.

AROUND THE RING

Word from Seattle, his headquarters for the last quarter-century, has veteran manager-promoter Jack Hurley, 69, recovering from his latest session with surgery. Jack's current hopeful, Boone Kirkman, has been coming along at a steady pace, and at this writing sports a string of nine straight wins (five by k.o.) in slightly more than a year of professional operations.

Apparently his nine-months' absence from ring competition hasn't had an adverse affect on Jimmy Dupree, the transplanted South Carolina light-heavyweight, currently based in New York. Since his return to action, Jimmy has posted two k.o.'s, stopping Cleo Daniels in eight rounds in Washington, then journeying down to New Orleans to demolish Marion Connor in one. Manager Willie Grunes can be pardoned for his enthusiastic outbursts, after the long stretch of silence he had to endure during Dupree's "vacation."

California boxing historian Billy Mahoney has done an excellent job of putting into an attractive publication the story of one of the rings finest personalities—Willie Ritchie, one-time (1912-14) world lightweight champion, and for years the main "trouble-shooter" for the California State Athletic Commission. The book sells for $2.00, plus 25¢ for handling and postage. Mahoney can be reached at 329 East Michigan St., Fresno, Cal. 93704. . . . Billy is now trying to organize an All-Sports Hall of Fame in San Francisco. . . . Ritchie, now 76 and retired, is living the peaceful life of a country squire in Millbrae, a pleasant little suburban community about a half-hour's drive down the peninsular from San Francisco.

By the time this issue hits the newsstands, this commentator and his wife will be in the midst of a European junket covering France, Italy, Switzerland, Denmark, Scotland and England. Because of time limitations, we'll have to miss Spain, Germany, Sweden and Belgium. The jaunt will end in Holland, and we'll fly home from Amsterdam. . . . Although ostensibly on a holiday, or vacation, we hope to inject some business with pleasure, collecting material for a possible series in The Ring on European boxing, which is thriving these days.

NEW YORK'S MONTH THAT WAS:

Wth Madison Square Garden and Sunnyside Garden both back on normal boxing schedules, ring action perked up in the metropolitan area.

Surviving a knockdown in the seventh, Irish Bob Cassidy, 160½, Levittown, L.I., rallied to cinch a close but unanimous decision over Carmelo Hernandez, 159, Bronx Puerto Rican, in a sizzling ten at Sunnyside.

In his furious drive in the closing sessions, southpaw Cassidy used his left to stagger Hernandez several times, drive him into the ropes and inflict a cut over his right eye. Earlier, Irish Bob himself suffered some eyebrow damage.

Although the verdict was unanimous, Referee Teddy Martin and Judges Leo (Bobby Dawson) Birnbaum and George Walsh all voting 6-4 in Cassidy's favor, many of the fans didn't agree, and, amid noisy hooting and howling, a mob converged on the ring to berate the officials. One irate rooter tossed a bottle into the ring, barely missing Hernandez.

The brawl topped one of the liveliest all-action cards staged at Sunnyside this season, but in spite of the lusty slugging there were no knockouts, every bout going its prescribed route.

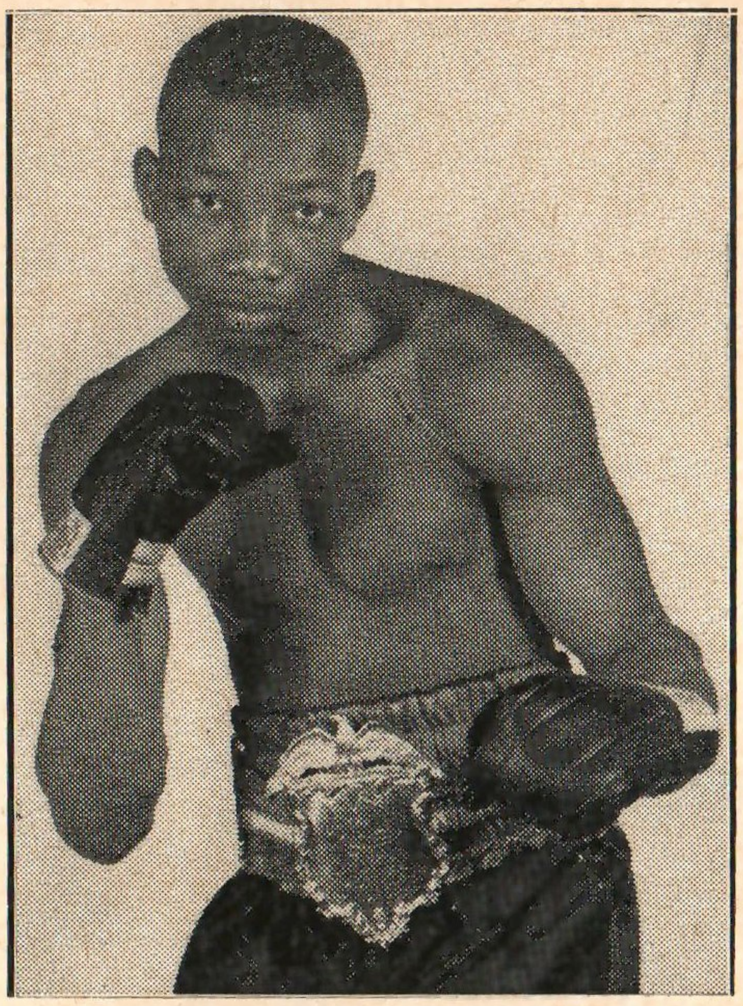
In the semi-final eight, Simon Ramos, 183½, Puerto Rico, outfought Stanford Bulla, 179, Brooklyn. In six, Reuben DeJesus, 134, Puerto Rico, won from a fellow islander, Tato Alonzo, 133, and in a pair of fours Kako Carrasco, 158½, Puerto Rico, outpointed Melvin Ward, 162½, Brentwood, L.I., and Dave Sandberg, 137½, Brooklyn, the only Jewish ringster operating hereabouts, celebrated his debut by hustling his way to a decision over Hank Smith, 132½, Harlem.

A turnout estimated at 1,400 accounted for lively box-office business of about $3,800.

Curtis Cokes' disappointing performance in his Madison Square Garden debut as world welterweight champion—he was outscrambled by Gypsy Joe Harris of Philadelphia, also in his Garden debut—is covered elsewhere in this issue by George Girsch.

By boxing and punching his way to the decision over Angel Oquendo, 175, Puerto Rico, in the semi-final ten, Levan Roundtree, 175, Harlem, squared accounts for a close verdict he had dropped at Sunnyside a couple of weeks before. Strong, aggressive Oquendo seemed to run out of gas after three rounds, and was a mark thereafter for Roundtree's sharp punching. The defeat halted Oquendo's winning skein at seven and set his overall won-lost record at 12-3, while Roundtree's score became 12-2.

Townsmen and sparring partners of Cokes and Harris divided honors in two preliminaries. Cokes' entry, Grady Green, 146, Dallas, didn't fare too well, losing to David Melendez, 148, Puerto Rico, in six, but Harris' playmate, Mario Saurennan,



Sandy Saddler, former world featherweight champion, now in charge of National Maritime Union gymnasium in New York.

139½, Philadelphia, did all right in winning from Johnny Thomas, 140½, Jamaica (West Indies), in four.

In his first start since former world featherweight champion Sandy Saddler assumed charge of him, Victor Baerga, 134, transplanted Puerto Rican living in Brooklyn, accounted for an impressive performance in thrashing another Puerto Rican import, Jose Colon, 134, Bronx, in an entertaining ten at Sunnyside.

The National Maritime Union, of which Saddler is a member, and in whose modern gymnasium Baerga trains, was responsible for most of the $4,800 gate recepits reported by the arena. The N.M.U. had bought $3,000 worth of tickets, and many of the organization's top officials, among them Joe Curran and Teddy Gleason, were present to lend their moral support to Baerga. The total attendance was about 1,800.

The bout was an encore, the rivals having battled to a draw in 1965. This time there was no doubt about who won. Baerga's improvement under Saddler's coaching was obvious. He displayed a fine left jab and snappy two-handed combinations to pile up points against the aggressive Colon, and the decision in his favor was unanimous with the judges and referee.

Two scheduled sixes were abbreviated. In one, Benny James, 130¾, Jamaica, L.I., was credited with a k.o. over Jose Zayas, 129¾, Puerto Rico, when an ugly gash over Zayas' right eye terminated their brawl after the fourth. The gash required 11 stitches after the bout.

The other six was over in 0:25 of the second, with Larry Wright, 145, Brooklyn, halting Lee Clemons, 149½, Wyandach, L.I., Referee Herbie Kronowitz intervening when Clemons was wobbling unsteadily from a left-right combination.

In fours, Moises Vargas, 132½, Puerto Rico, celebrated his professional debut by outpunching a rival islander, Manny Pagan, 132, and Pete Santiago, 145½, outfought Mike Suarez, 150½, in another all-Puerto Rican pairing.

Appearing in a local ring for the first time in nearly a year—he had been doing his fighting in New England—Grey Gavin, 147, Brooklyn, fought his way to a split decision over Juan Ramos, 146, Puerto Rico, in a gory eight at Sunnyside.

A nasty gash on Gavin's scalp drenched both rivals and the referee in claret, but the damage didn't seem to affect the Brooklynite to any noticeable extent. If anything, it appeared to spur him on to greater effort.

It was a gruelling battle all the way, with Ramos forcing the action in the early rounds, frequently crowding Gavin into the ropes and tossing leather in wholesale lots. Gavin, the harder hitter, got his combinations working during the second half of the battle, dug vicious body punches into the Puerto Rican's ribs and snapped his head back with hard shots to the jaw.

The closeness of the bout was evidenced by the voting of the officials. The two judges tabbed for Gavin, Artie Aidala by 5-3 and Ray Kozak by 4-3-1, while Referee Harold Valan had it even at 4-4.

An unusual development in the preliminary bouts was three victories scored by substitutes. They were Johnny Burnside, 157, East Side, who made a success of his professional debut by outfighting Herbie Brown, 156, Woodhaven, L.I., in the opening four; Ulysses Jiminez, 143½, who won from a fellow Puerto Rican, Nelson Cuevas, 146, in six, and Angel Torres, 137½, who decisioned Billy Jose Pickett, 137½, in another all-Puerto Rican six. In the other preliminary, scheduled for six, also pairing two Puerto Ricans, Victor Buford, 131¾, halted Benny Rosa, 131½, at 2:48 of the second.

No official figures were released, but the attendance looked about 1,100 and the gross receipts probably $3,000.

Elsewhere in this issue Nat Fleischer reports on Nino Benvenuti's impressive triumph over Emile Griffith in their world middleweight title meeting in Madison Square Garden.

Nothing particularly exciting happened on the card supporting Nino and Emile. Five bouts, including the main event, embraced a total of 35 rounds, and failed to produce a knockout.

In one of the sixes, Benvenuti's countryman, stablemate and sparring partner Aldo Battistuta, 151, gave Italy the first half of its 2-for-2 winning score for the night by hustling his way to a verdict over a surprisingly lackadaisical Freddie Martinovich, 144, Hungarian emigre based in Newark, N.J. Another six resulted in a win for Elliott Miller, 164¼, Freeport, L.I., over Bobby Herrington, 166, Harlem.

In a pair of fours, Julio Figueroa, 167, Puerto Rico, was too strong for a fellow-islander, Pablo Flores, 161, and Freddie DeVore, 150½, Harlem, won from Larry Wright, 148½, Brooklyn.

ADDENDA — Sincere condolences to former world welterweight champion (1941-46) Freddie (Red) Cochrane, whose mother died recently in Hillside, N.J.

Knocked out by George Chuvalo in Miami Beach, Willi Besmanoff, 35, German-born heavyweight who'd campaigned in U.S. rings since 1957, has decided to call it a career. During his decade of American operations, Besmanoff didn't miss many of the good 'uns, his opponents including Archie Moore (twice), Willie Pastrano, Bob Baker, Alex Miteff (twice), Pat McMurtry, Mike DeJohn, Eddie Machen, Sonny Liston, Zora Folley, Cassius Clay, Pete Rademacher and Bob Foster.

The annual Old-Timers get-together in Santa Clara, California, is scheduled for early July, with Willie Ritchie, Frankie Neil, Lew Jenkins, Young Corbett III, Johnny Penedetti and Augie Ratner among the many fistic notables of the past promising to appear.

More than 1000 boxing enthusiasts who crowded the floor and the balconies of the ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford in Philadelphia, honored Herman Taylor, veteran boxing promoter, on his eightieth birthday. The gathering, a "Who's Who" of fistiana and Philadelphia life, included jurists, statesmen and journalists.

It was the largest turnout for an affair of that kind ever held in the United States. Among the speakers were Harry Markson, managing director of the Madison Square Garden Boxing Club, Nat Fleischer of The Ring, Jack Dempsey and Tommy Loughran.

The net proceeds, after payment of expenses, were turned over to the Valley Forge Veterans' Hospital for the purchase of a closed circuit television outfit.

Boxing historian Johnny Hauck of Lancaster, Pa., weighs in with an obit item—Brooklyn Tommy Sullivan, who claimed the world featherweight title when he k.o.'d Abe Attell in St. Louis in 1904, but lost that claim back to Attell when Abe polished him off in San Francisco four years later. . . . Hauck also reports the passing in Philadelphia of Henry Hauber, 78, middleweight who operated from 1907 to 1925 and met, among others, Jack Blackburn, Mickey Gannon and Mike O'Dowd.

RECALLING BOB McALLISTER

A bit belatedly we've heard of the passing in his native San Francisco of Bob McAllister, 75, and our thoughts went drifting back through the mists of the years to the Californian's rapid rise and even more rapid fall in two appearances in old Madison Square Garden early in 1914.

McAllister came east touted as one of the finest young ringsters uncovered in San Francisco in several years. After compiling a sensational record in the amateurs, he had turned professional, whipping light-heavies and heavies as convincingly as those of his own poundage. San Franciscans were certain he was headed for the world midleweight title.

For his first showing in New York, he drew clever, ringwise Battling Levinsky as his vis-a-vis, and drew rave reviews in the newspapers for his speed and brilliant boxing. He gave the future world light-heavyweight champion a thorough going-over.

His spectacular performance led to a match with Mike Gibbons. That was shooting a bit too high. The St. Paul Phantom, then at his dazzling peak, polished him off in seven rounds.

Discouraged, McAllister returned to California, but continued his ring activities, growing eventually into a heavyweight. He made one more trip to New York, boxing ten no-decision rounds with Gunboat Smith in '17, and, later that year, returned to California to lose a four-round verdict in Oakland to an up-and-coming young heavyweight calling himself Jack Dempsey.

HANDSHAKE PACT FOR 3rd NINO-EMILE IS DENIED

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the title achievement? How good a middleweight is the Italian? What merits does he present, which demerits did we discern in the Garden that April night of an emotional experience for the many Italian fans among the more than 14,000 onlookers?

Nino Benvenuti became the champion because he was better gaited for the 45 minute ordeal.

Nino was a better physical specimen despite the fact that he appeared to be frail standing alongside the beautifully muscled Virgin Islander, and in spite of the Italian's weight advantage, 159 pounds to 153½.

Benvenuti is fast on his feet, fast with his hands, game, determined, thoroughly imbued with the "Vivo Italia" spirit of national patriotism and personal pride.

Nino had a darting jab, a fine right cross, a cruel left hook, a damaging uppercut to the midriff, and fast combinations, his right-left dumping Griffith in the second round.

Benvenuti did not show a knockout punch. Now did he leave the impression that he rated with some of the middleweight greats who could take power and dish out power.

As for Griffith, he tried to bull and charge his way to victory over cleverness, and he failed dismally. He had slipped badly as a boxer, he had lost much of his power.

Has Griffith reached the end of the line as championship material?

Will the four times holder of the world welterweight and middleweight titles be able to repeat his previous successes and regain the 160 pound crown he lost to Italy's Nino?

Griffith's stand against Benvenuti indicated clearly that Emile, who kept winning, losing and regaining the crown as a 147 pounder, has lost much of his resourcefulness and adroitness.

The rangy, 29 year old Nino surprised by his excellent comeback after he had been dropped in the fourth. It tagged him on the left side of the jaw and he wobbled into the ropes and fell. It appeared he couldn't get to his feet before the fatal ten put an end to the fight. But he did, he pushed referee Conn aside and faced the enemy.

Although Nino still was shaky, an avalanche of punches failed to down him. The Italian survived the attack and from the next round on took over. He didn't win every round but enough to turn the tide and give him the title.

There was no complaint by Griffith nor his handlers.

The fear that if Benvenuti were the winner the title would be placed on ice in Europe was gone long in advance of the bout when it became known that a return had been agreed upon when the fight was signed. That was the cause of wild reports that the dethroned champion would have done far better had he not been assured of the protection.

Whether or not that had anything to do with Emile's shoddy performance in the last five rounds is pure guess work.

Benvenuti accomplished what he had come to America to do. He proved before a gathering of 14,251 persons who paid a gross of $141,799, that advance reports of his pugilistic prowess were not exaggerated.

The winner, with almost a flawless record since I watched him perform in the Rome Olympic Games, where he received the award as the outstanding boxer of the tourney, fooled the American scribes who kept pounding out stories from the training quarters in the Catskill Mountains about the new champion's weakness in close range battling. He took all the play away from Griffith at that style.

He bewildered Emile with combinations. When Nino went down in the fourth, it was only the second time in his long career that he had been decked.

Had Griffith not been over-hasty in rushing forth for what he thought was the kill after Nino got to his feet, had he not become over-confident, had he measured the Italian instead of hurling blows wildly at him, Emile might have won the fifth. He had everything going for him based on the unsteadiness of the Italian and the evidences of panic that indicated he had been hurt. But after several misses by Emile, the challenger regained his confidence and thereafter he became the master.

It was an example of ring generalship such as we seldom see.

There were times when each boxer had to be warned for low punching and general roughness, but the chief offender was the defending title holder.

Griffith also was the chief offender in holding. What took place in that line in the Garden would never have been permitted in a British ring.

Twice Griffith, annoyed at the face jabs that had one of his eyes puffed and almost closed, slapped Nino in the face as they came out of a clinch, but referee Mark Conn paid no attention to the offense.

The new champion suffered a cut on the bridge of his nose and went through the final four rounds with a blood-smeared face.

When Griffith went down in the second round he complained that it was a push not a punch that downed him.

There was no doubt that the strong push Emile received after Nino had landed a good uppercut, was more responsible for the knockdown than the punch.

Benvenuti didn't do badly for a foreign visitor. He received about $30,000 from his 15 percent of the gate plus $60,000 from television.

Griffith was guaranteed $80,000 against 45% of the gate and his share of the TV rights. A pretty good sum for one who was outclassed. He beat the guarantee by about $10,000.

In the return fight contract Nino is assured of 40 percent, as champion, and Griffith of 20 percent. Fair enough.

Griffith's greatest fault was his inability to come up with a sustained attack.

In the fourth and fifth, the two rounds in which Emile had his greatest opportunity to tag his man, he failed to press the issue against an opponent who had been weakened and shamed, as he later stated, by the knockdown he had suffered.

In the tenth round Dr. Harry Kleinman went into the challenger's corner to examine his wounded nose, but after a consultation with the referee, he retired from the ring and let the battle continue.

Benvenuti had three and a half inches in height on Emile.

Seconds after Announcer Johnny Addie intoned, "Both referee Mark Conn and Judge Leo Birnbaum scored it 10 to 5 for Benvenuti and Judge Al Berl as it 9 to 5 for Nino, a wild rush toward the ring got under way by the Italians' supporters.

Chanting, "Nino, Nino, Nino", and waving Italian flags, they pushed reporters off their seats, scaled into the ring, and climbed on the writing desks. Everything got out of control.

They went up and over the heads of the writers, typewriters were broken and the wrecking crew had free sway as it surged forward to cheer their hero through a lax cordon of Garden police.

Fortunately there were no casualties, as had happened in the mob performance when Frankie Narvaez fought in the Garden.

The Ring's reporters scored it:

Nat Fleischer, 9-5-1 for Benvenuti; Nat Loubet, 10-5, Benvenuti; Dan Daniel, 10-5 for the Italian; George Girsch, 10-5 for Nino; and Johnny Ort, 9-6 for Benvenuti.

FIGHTING FOSTER NOT RELISHED BY TOP LIGHT HEAVIES

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lasting about five minutes. It wasn't long enough for Foster to get up a sweat. If he is really good, let him fight the really good ones."

Well, that's all fine and dandy. But the really good ones want none of the lanky battler from the capital.

"I believe my luck is changing," Foster said as he took time off from his training for Cotton.

Could be. Bob really deserves a sharp about-face and a big smile from Lady Luck.

WHO WILL BE NEW PILOT OF EXPANSION ERA FOR HEAVIES?

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The time has come to go out and fight, Buster!

Nor is Chuvalo doing himself any good trouncing the likes of Buddy Moore. George has turned himself into a ham and egger and designated himself as a heavyweight not to be considered seriously despite his 45 minutes against Clay.

Olympic champion Frazier is developing encouragingly and may be the leader of the Era of Good Feeling.

Joe is backed by the highly respected Cloverlay syndicate of Philadelphia, organized the way the Clay group was in Louisville.

Frazier has a fine attack. But he is far from well developed on defense and should not be rushed. By the same token, he has nothing to gain from a policy matching that behind Mathis.

That Cus D'Amato is behind the Mathis situation bodes well for Buster's boxing education. But it does not promise dashing venturesomeness. There should be some median line in the Mathis schedule.

Many students of the heavyweight picture see Frazier and Mathis meeting in 1968. Joe is impatient and says he is ready to shoot at the best. His victory over ancient and battered Eddie Machen swelled his ego greatly but it did not rate the importance which the Olympian attached to it.

Nat Fleischer saw Ramos stop James T. Woody in Mexico City and his report is not too flattering to the first heavyweight of note developed in that country.

Nat says, "Ramos is strong. He is fairly fast. He has a high potential in power. But he looks very green. I would not want to see him rushed."

Spencer hurt himself a lot when he let Bill McMurray get a seven round KO decision over him at Sacramento last September. The way Thad tells the story it was a disputable result. But there it is in the book, KO 7.

In view of McMurray's 12 round loss this year to Henry Clark, and his one round KO by Patterson, it is conceivable that a return fight between Bill and Thad would reverse that messy KO in 7. But among heavies one dares not jump at conclusions, and sneer at the record book.

Quarry has to live down the decision he lost to Machen last July in a ten rounder, as well as the draw with Tony Alongi which preceded it.

Jerry did well in beating Joey Orbillo last December. Beating Brian London in a ten this year made up in part for Jerry's 1966 misadventures.

Rocky Marciano, who is hunting for a good heavyweight contender, went to Los Angeles to scout Quarry, but walked out on Jerry before the test was half over.

It is possible that Frazier will come out of 1967 the top title contender. It will be recollected that Ringo Bonavena twice had him on the floor early. But Joe rallied and definitely was the better fighter. Say this for Oscar. He was on his feet at the finish.

Frazier's six round KO of Doug Jones would have been important a couple of years ago. But Jones had fallen apart when Frazier belted him out, making the result a more or less negligible entry in the record book.

Could very well be that Chuvalo could beat Frazier, Spencer, Ramos and Quarry at this time. But they are not likely to seek the blight by tackling George.

Could be that Mildenberger, too, could whip the four hopefuls but he, too, is off limits right now.

A Mildenberger Chuvalo battle would be interesting in New York. The fans would like to see the German who held Clay off for a dozen heats.

They could stir up fresh interest in themselves especially if Clay were out of the picture.

STATUE OF FIRPO EVOKES MEMORIES

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vacation, and for spending money stopped Jim Tracey down there in four heats.

Rickard then decided that the time had come to send Luis Angel Firpo after tougher game. On March 12, 1923, the Bull made his New York debut and stopped Bill Brennan in 12 rounds.

Make a note of this, Miss Gilhooley. On December 14, 1920, in his second defense of the title in the ancient Garden in NY, Dempsey had knocked out Brennan—also in 12 rounds. Jack hit Brennan so hard on the jaw that he busted Bill's ankle.

In May 1923, Firpo asphyxiated Jack McAuliffe in seven minutes.

The highlight of the Firpo buildup came on July 12, 1923, in Jersey City, when the Bull knocked out aged Jess Willard, who had lost the title to Dempsey in 1919, in eight heats. This was Jess's thirty sixth and last fight.

Firpo stopped Joe Burke, went ten with Homer Smith, and belted out Charley Weinert in Philadelphia, in two.

The TIME had come. Firpo was matched with Dempsey for the Polo Grounds.

There were 82,000 customers in the Giants' ancient park. They paid $1,188,-603 in cold cash,—we repeat, $1,188,603, more than a million, to Rickard to see the awkward but game South American make his pitch, a sizeable chunk of the $10,000,-000 which the fight fans paid to witness Tex's promotions from the Gans-Nelson affair in Goldfield on.

Dempsey weighed in at 191½ and Firpo at 216½. It was a fair night, the air was balmy, and the customers were in a festive and expectant mood, also balmy.

Johnny Gallagher was the referee. He never was quite clear on what he had seen that night.

Firpo's first punch was a right to the head and Dempsey hit the deck, clutching Firpo's legs. Jack went to one knee and grabbed the challenger's underpinning for dear life,—and the title.

What followed should not happen even to a Viet Cong. Firpo went down seven times, five knockdowns being of the solid and dangerous variety.

The experts were pronouncing a solemn requiem for the South American heavyweight, when BAM!

Firpo hit Jack on the neck with a roundhouse right and the champion of the entire universe went hurtling out of the ring.

What happened in the riot which ensued? Gallagher always insisted he had counted seven when Dempsey got back into the ring. Some experts said it was ten seconds. Some protested that Dempsey had been out of the ring long enough to lose the title.

It did not occur to anyone in the press rows to time Jack. He demolished Jack Lawrence's typewriter and he demolished Firpo, in the second round.

After Jack Kearns had got on the outs with Dempsey he said that Jack had been out of the ring for 20 seconds. Reporters helped the champion back into action and for this they received a Christmas card from Dempsey for years and years.

Dempsey did not fight again until September 23, 1926, when the stable worn champion lost his title to Gene Tunney in ten rain soaked rounds in Philadelphia.

Firpo did not fight again until February 1924, when he stopped Farmer Lodge in five in Buenos Aires. Luis's most significant battle thereafter was his 12 round no decision affair with the 35 year old Harry Wills, in Jersey City.

On July 11, 1936, Firpo, reported to have lost his fortune, was stopped in three rounds by Arturo Godoy, in Buenos Aires. Luis had reached the end of the line.

"Farewell," Luis intoned. "Farewell to the ring and the gloves, and a career which produced one big result. I almost got the title and I hurt Dempsey, badly."

Firpo died on August 7, 1960, age 64, a millionaire.

Will the heavyweight division ever produce the likes of that Firpo-Dempsey fight? Not a chance, amigos, not a chance.

WITH CLAY APPEAL IN COURTS, RING SNUBS TITLE STRIP

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$75,000, and a finalist $125,000, with a bonus of $50,000 to the winner.

In the meantime, gentlemen, whether you like it or not, pending adjudication of his case in the courts, Cassius Clay-Muhammad Ali still is the heavyweight champion. If he is found guilty, it will be another matter.

THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

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tica de la nacíon, acaba de llegar a la ciudad de New York, despues de haberse axilado en España. . . . Encontrandose en Madrid, Martinez tuvo chance de ver en accion al cubano Jose Legra, que ha mejorado hasta ahora lo suficiente para aspirar con fuerza a la corona mundial. . . . "Yo creo que Legra esta listo y ha de ser el futuro campeon de su division"—dice Oscar, quien al propio tiempo trae la noticia de que al retirado Fred Galiana, ha dicidido dedicarse por entero al teatro, y esta siguiendo clases de declamacion en Barcelona.

Aunque derrotado por el nicaraguense Luis Gutierrez, que es campeon sur americano de los pesos medianos, el cubano Florentino Fernandez no tiene la menor intension de retirarse del ring . . . Y ha dejado saber, a traves de su apoderado, Angelo Dundee, que descansara unas semanas antes de volver al cuadrilatero.

Vicente Saldivar, el campeon mundial de los pesos feathers, ha recibido varies proposiciones del cine mexicano para dedicarse por entero a las pantallas, pero, hasta ahora no ha manifestado el menor interes.

La historia de Jose Legra, que tiene que ir a servicio militar por haberse hecho ciudadano español, es la misma de la mayoria de los boxers hispanos . . . Es hijo de familiar muy pobre en Orienta, habiendo nacido un 19 de Marzo en la Playa e Baracoa. . . . Pertenecia a una familia de ocho hermanos, de los cuales siete eran varones y una hembra . . . Los Legra eran tan pobres en Oriente, que Jose no llego a utilizar zapatos hasta que cumplio los 15 años, siendo, por rara coincidencia, sus primeros zapatos las zapatillas del ring.

En sus comienzos, Legra hizo lo que hacen todos los muchachos pobres que no tienen edad suficiente para otra clase de trabajos . . . Venido periodicos y limpio zapatos . . . Despues hizo las veces de mensajero, habiendose inciado en el boxeo a la edad de 15 años, como flyweight.

Como peso mosca aparecio en 23 encuentros, habiendo salido airoso en 22. Este record llamo la atension de los promotores de la Habana que le llamaron para subir al ring en el nuevo Palacio de los Deportes . . . Alli se enfrento a Pedro Pinera a quien derroto facilmente en seis rounds.

Evelio Mustelier (Kid Tunero) que actuaba en esos dias como jefe de vendaje de la Direccion de Deportes, considero que tenia posibilidades y le enseño algunas cosas del deporte. Pero, cuando Fidel Castro suprimo por completo el boxeo en Cuba, Tunero tuvo que regresar a Europa, y Legra quedo en la Habana, buscandose la vida en otros menesteres.

De la Habana le saco Luis Sarria, quien le envio un contrato desde Mexico, y ya en el extranjero, Jose salto de Ciudad Mexico a Miami, donde quedo bajo la ediga de los hermanos Dundee. . . . En Miami, Legra estuvo en constante contacto con Florentino Fernandez, Luis Manuel Rodriguez, Douglas Vaillant, y los demas, asi como con Cassius Clay, que era la joya del establo de Dundee.

En 1963, llamado por Tunero, Legra marcho a Madrid y alli ha estado desde entonces, abriendose paso de modo convincente. Uno de sus primeros triunfos fue contra Ben Laiachi, una estrella de Marruecos. Despues de eso, Jose ha celebrado un numero interesante de peleas, que, segun afirma Martinez Conill, deben conducirle a un encuentro por el campeonato del mundo.

Cesar Temes, que esta trabajando como jefe de las paginas deportivas del periodico "El Diario de Hoy", de San Salvador, nos escribe para decirnos que pronto comenzara en firme la temporada de boxeo en Salvador, iniciandose la presentacion de una series de figures internacionales, que le llevaran a el como promoter . . . Temes tiene interes en presentar a Mantequilla Napoles y a la nueva sensacion venzolana, Pedro Gomez, que goza de enormes simpatias en el mundo pugilistico de Sur America.

NEW ORLEANS CARD PRODUCES 9 ROUNDS

By Ike Morales

New Orleans, La.—It was short and sweet for fans who turned out for the New Orleans Boxing Club's scheduled 28-round program in Municipal Auditorium. The entire card produced only nine rounds, including two spectacular one-round knockouts in the double tens.

Promoter Lou Messina had tagged the card a "Sock Show," and a sockeroo it was. In the feature attraction, Jimmy Dupree, 171½, of New York, put the lights out for Marion Connors, of Canton, Ohio, in 2:01 of the first round. Connors scaled 176.

In the other scheduled ten, young Benny McCall, 123, a new local favorite, dumped Tommy Fix, 121, of Shelby, Ohio, in 2:16 after the opening bell.

Connors was making his second local showing, losing a close one to Herschel Jacobs in his Crescent City debut. However, Connors made such a hit in the Jacobs fight that he entered the ring with Dupree with plenty of support.

The New Yorker lost no time getting to Connors, a right to the jaw dropping the Ohio lightheavyweight. Connors got up immediately, but was given the mandatory eight count.

Connors realized he had no picnic as Dupree cut loose with left hooks. Another hook and Connors was finished for the night.

After the fight Connors took several minutes to realize that he was the victim of a one round kayo.

Messina wants to bring Dupree back against Bob Foster, Herschel Jacobs or Harold Johnson. Dupree now is 20-3-1, and Connors is 22-8-1.

McCall, making his third pro start, hurt Fix with a left hook to the middle, taking the starch out of the Ohio feather. Fix blinked in disbelief. He tried to fight back, but McCall was too much.

A straight right hand decked Fix face forward and the referee, who happened to be welterweight champion Curtis Cokes, stopped the fight.

In the opening bout, scheduled for four rounds, Vernon Clay, 228½, and Willie Lee, 195¼, tossed leather at a torrid clip. Clay landed a TKO in 2:44 of the third round. Clay was impressive with left hooks to the head and had Lee on Queer Street on several occasions. Lee was game, but was outgunned.

In another four, Alvin Phillips, 157, won a unanimous decision over Johnny Little, 158¼. Little did a good job for two rounds, but tired from persistent punishment.

▸ Curtis Cokes is scheduled to defend his world's welterweight championship in New Orleans on July 17. Messina said Cokes's opponent would be Charles Shipes or Gypsy Joe Harris, who decisioned the champion in a non-title match recently in Madison Square Garden.

The title fight, of course, hinged on Cokes's showing against Francois Pavila, of France.

Messina announced that he had tried to match Willie Ludick, of South Africa, with Cokes but "Willie wanted all of the receipts."

▸ **SOMEBODY MADE A BOOBOO**—In its recent listings, the World Boxing Association ranked Jerry Pellegrini the No. 10 junior welterweight. The 22-year-old New Orleans boxer has been fighting "between 147 and 149" these past few months.

Did you ever hear of a club folding after making nothing but money? The Garden Boxing Club quit after Matchmaker Mike Cusimano pulled out because his ring job interfered with his executive post with Standard Fruit and Steamship Company.

Dominick Gulotta is back in the fight picture as promoter for the newly organized Olympic Boxing Club. Dom has been associated with fighters—off and on—for many years.

Bennie McCall, local featherweight, is the latest prospect developed by Whitey Esneaul, dean of New Orleans managers. Whitey brought out Bernard and Maxie Docusen, Ralph Dupas and Willie Pastrano.

▸ A well-balanced ring team came out of the Southern AAU boxing championships here, retitle contender and coordinator of the simon-pure cently. Jimmy Perrin, one-time featherweight tournament, believes the current crop of amateurs compares with those of the "good old days."

"Chuck" Mince, Westwago AC middleweight, was named the outstanding fighter in the tournament. Mince was awarded the Sidney Pagert Memorial Trophy following his triumph over William Curtis, of Fort Polk.

Another top performer was little Ken Bazer, 106 pounder, who defeated Eugene Camacho, Iberia Youth Club. Ken Ardoin, Tony Licata and Jimmy Cochran also turned in splendid performances.

Ardoin, of Lake Charles, was the bantamweight winner after beating Joe Romero, Iberia Youth Club. Licata, St. Mary's, captured the light-welterweight championship by winning over Butch McCoy of Shreveport. Cochran, a soldier from Fort Polk, won the light-heavyweight title over Jerry LeBlanc, of Gonzales.

John David, Lake Charles, took the flyweight crown over Lupe Camacho, Iberia YC; Terry Pullen, Delta, won the featherweight title over Morris Montgomery, Lafayette; Don Gary, Queen City, beat Al Jackson, Arnone's Gym, for the light-welterweight title; Steve Broussard, Wego AC, decisioned Ray Clifton, Lafayette, for the middleweight crown, and Benny Addison, Shreveport, scored in the heavyweight division with a one round kayo of Jay Miller of Westwego AC.

NEW JERSEY HIGHLIGHTS

By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse

Jimmy Colotto returned pro boxing to New Jersey at the Jersey City Armory. The show saluted former welter champ Marty Servo who is fighting a great battle against cancer, and the likeable "Irish" Bobby Brady.

▸ At Worcester, Mass.—Little Lloyd Marshall, Newark's 135-pounder, belted out a 10 round decision over Bud Rnderson, Philadedphia, in a main bout. London promoters dickering for Lloyd to engage in a return match with Maurice Cullen. Marshall stunned the boxing world with a KO over the English title holder.

Garfield Boys Club invaded Hudson County. Coached by Bobby Nicholas,—former amateur and professional of the 40's. In the main bout at the Mt. Carmel Church, Joe Schiano, Garfield boxed to no decision with Rudy Ware, Jersey City Recreation.

Ronnie Martinson, Garfield, VS, Greg Marrone, Secaucus PAL, was in another no decision bout. Dave Amoruso, Garfield, waged a neat boxing attack against Secaucus's Tommy Acez in a no decision fight. Young Bobby Nicholas, GBC, looked like a champ against Jersey City's Ron Jordon. Mark Fletcher, Secaucus, boxed with Gregg Voorhees, Garfield.

Jerry Ramirez, GBC, ran into a tartar when he exchanged punches with Ray Campbell.

Clay Thomas, once middleweight prospect, fror Paterson was stopped in 2:12 of the sixth round of a scheduled 8 rd. boxing bout at Worcester by Hal Carroll of Syracuse, Thomas scaled 183 and Carroll, 175.

Garfield engaged in a big show at the City Hall Annex. The matchmaker was Clarence "Champ" Snell, former Paterson heavy. Guests Joey Biss, former Passaic contender, and Jack Larkin, National Veteran Boxers President.

BOXING IN JAPAN
By Joe Y. Koizumi

Tokyo, Japan—The spotlight will be focused on Japan during the next three months when three world championship bouts will be fought in Nippon, and a World Boxing Association title bout between Horacio Accavallo and Kiyoshi Tanabe will be held in Argentina.

Arrangements have been completed for Sandro Lopopolo, Italy, and Paul Fujii to engage in a junior title bout; Flash Elorde vs. Yoshiaki Numata in a junior lightweight championship fight; and Fighting Harada to face Bernardo Caraballo in a bantam match.

Japan may see two brothers engage in a singular contest with the world championship at stake, when the Fighting Harada boys face each other. Hatsuhiro Hara, brother of the world crown wearer, annexed the Japanese bantam title with a second round kayo over Katsuo Saito.

In the Kyuden Memorial Gymnasium, Fukuoka City, Harada went down for a mandatory eight count in the opening round but won the unanimous decision in a thrilling non-title 12 round bout with Tiny Palacio, Filipino bantamweight ruler.

Palacio's right uppercut to Harada's bearded chin, suddenly threw the Japanese off balance in the middle of the opening session.

His legs went wobbly. The sturdy Filipino slugger, tearing in, forced Harada against the ropes and landed an additional uppercut following a series of rights and lefts. Harada dropped with his face to the floor.

Harada got up groggy, stumbling, his eyes glazed, but he managed to pull himself up and beat the 10 count. Harada was the leader all the way after that, but by a close margin in every round.

Harada suffered a bad cut over the eyebrow caused by a butt. The referee in round six, ordered one point deducted from Palacio because of his repeated head work. Harada had his opponent groggy in the final round.

It was Harada's toughest fight and a rematch is in the making. Harada scaled 124¾ to 125 for his opponent.

Tokuyuki Shinkai outpointed Keiichiro Maki in six and Kiyoshi Ogawa beat Kenji Hayashi in six in the preliminary bouts.

▸ Undefeated Koji Okano, 134¾, whipped Hidenori Tanaka, 135, in a 10 at Osaka. Okano was too fast and strong for Tanaka and had him close to a kayo in the second.

Tsuyoshi Hashino, 122, outpointed Tadahiko Tsushima, 122, in 8, and Hideo Miyamoto, 122, decisioned Akio Matsuda, 112, in 6.

▸ Rising featherweight Nobuo Chiba, 123½, won a one-sided decision from Chun-Won Kang, 122¾, Korea, the Oriental junior featherweight kingpin, in a bruising non-title 10 rounder here.

Chiba's sharp jab and footwork prevented the Korean from scoring solid counter punches, with which Kang had stopped Rokuro Ishiyama to win the Orient championship.

In the second tenner, Kiyohide Yutsudo, 121½, upset Toyoharu Mizuta, 122. Lightweight Norio Endo outscored Yuji Tsukuba in 8.

▸ At Tokyo, Kenji Chiyoda drew with Katsumi Takaishi in 6. Each weighed 118. Masakatsu Fujimoto, 118, finished Masaru Ogawa, 118, in 3. Toshio Ohta, 118, outpointed Teruo Yohsimura, 118, in 4.

Tetsuo Ohtsuka, 122, knocked out Haruki Kato, 122, in the opening round.

Hisashi Orii, 112, and Shinjiro Kaneko, 112, fought to a technical draw in round two, and Shigenori Arisawa, 135, halted Satomoto Kaneda, 135, in the opening round.

▸ Two top Japanese flyweights met in 10 rounds here. Speedy Hayase, 112, was faster and more clever than Yuzo Narumi, 111¾, but Narumi offset this deficiency by powerful punching. The verdict was a draw. In a companion ten, Kunio Yoshida, 141¾, was a disputed victor over Shigeru Ogiwara, 141¾.

Bantamweight Kazuo Tanaka, 118, defeated Hataichi Yamamoto, 118, in 6.

▸ Takao Mihashi, 126¾, lost a split and unpopular nod to tricky Johnny Jamito, 125½, in a fast 10 round battle at Korakuen Hall, Tokyo. Jamito, on his fourth visit to Japan, lacked power and aggressiveness. In the semi-final, lightweight Shoji Nakagawa decisioned Shingo Kitano in 8.

Globe-trotting Vicente Derado, 132½, Argentina, didn't look impressive in beating Fujio Mikami, 132½, in 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall. The decision was unanimous.

Akimine Takeda, new Shinjin-o in the middleweight division continued knockout progress by stopping Akio Matsunaga in 5.

▸ At Korakuen Hall, 2,000 saw a real upset, in which Ushiwakamaru (Katsuhiro) Harada, the younger brother of Fighting Harada, captured Japan's bantamweight crown with a kayo over Katsuo Saito in the second round.

Saito failed twice to make the weight, hence this made the bout a non-title one with Saito losing his crown automatically.

Saito entered the ring at 119½ and Harada at 117¼. According to the rules of JBC, when the challenger wins from an overnight kingpin, he becomes the national champion. Saito was downed twice in the opening round. The end came in 1.52 of the second session, when Saito was counted out.

Tsutomu Sukegawa, 154, whipped Kazuto Fujiyama, 154, in an 8 rounder supporting bout.

Yoshiharu Hatanaka, 126, decisioned Koichi Matsuda, 126, in 6.

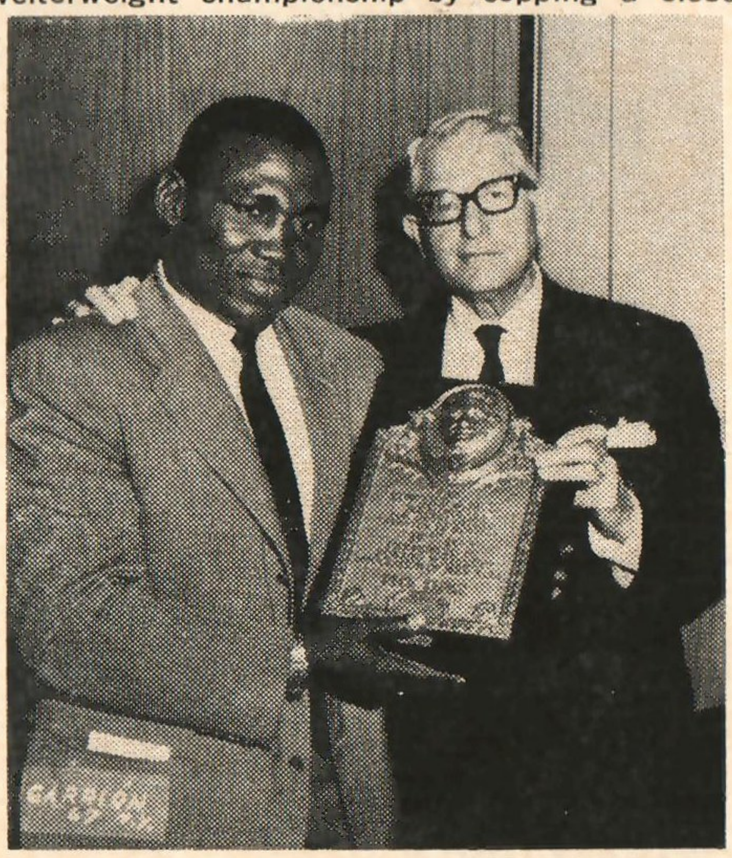
▸ Oriental flyweight boss, Takeshi Nakamura, was fast and clever and won unanimously over Shunpachi Wakagi in a furious non-title encounter of 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall.

Nakamura toyed with the newcomer all the way except in the second round, when he was sent to the floor for the mandatory eight count.

▸ Yoshiaki Numata, 132½, Orient junior lightweight champion, decisively defeated Chokchai Kirischai, 132¼, of Thailand in a 10 round bout. The Thai left-hander was tricky and rough in his second appearance in Japan, but proved no match for Numata.

Rising southpaw Sumio Nobata, 125¾, whipped Albert Reyes, 124½, imported from the Philippines in 10 rounds and flyweight Toshinobu Tsukamoto stopped Masaki Ishimoto in 5, at Tokoname.

▸ Kazuyoshi Kubokura, 143¼, annexed Japan's welterweight championship by copping a close



Dick Tiger, who was unable to be present at the annual Boxing Writers Assn. Dinner in New York in March, is shown collecting the Edward J. Neil Award, as 1966 Fighter of the Year, from Dan Daniel, Associate Editor of The Ring and president of the BWA.

but unanimous duke from Hisao Minami, 146½, in 10 at Korakuen Hall.

In the semi-windup, lightweight puncher Kazuo Kanai outpointed Masaaki Sato in 8.

▸ Fast rising bantamweight Eigo Takagi, 118¾, was the master in a 10 round slugfest with Hyun Kim, 120¼, the Korean bantamweight champ. Takagi has scored 22 victories in succession since 1963, when the Japanese won the Shinjin-o crown in the flyweight division.

▸ Hard-punching Musashi Nakano, 147¼, newly crowned Orient welterweight kingpin, ran his knockout streak to 11 by stopping crafty Filipino Jessie Cortez, 149, in bruising seven rounds before the 3,100 at Okayama. The Filipino twice was down, in the fourth and in the seventh, before he was stretched motionless.

▸ Mitsunori Seki, 129¾, Oriental featherweight ruler, who suffered an eighth round TKO at the hand of Vicente Saldivar in Mexico, returned to the fistic square after two months of inactivity and halted the Filipino, Jesse Del Dalle, 129½, in the Shinjuku Gymnasium, Tokyo, in the seventh round. The Japanese southpaw showed brilliant ring generalship. The knockout upped Seki's record to 55-10-1 with 34 KOs. In the semi windup, bantamweight Takeshi Kato drew with Tsuyoshi Hashino in 8.

▸ Akihisa Someya, 135½, national lightweight title-holder, gave a boxing lesson to Fighting Kim, 135¼, from South Korea, and copped a unanimous duke at Osaka in 10. Someya downed Kim twice in the fourth and the ninth.

The semi-final between two All-Japan Shinjin-o winners was a hot entertainment, as Toshiharu Mori, 127, the Junior Lightweight Shinjin-o king, scored three knockdowns and finished Hiroshi Kurumazuka, 129, Junior welterweight winner, in the third round.

Hiroyuki Ebihara, 112, former world flyweight champion, made a successful comeback after a 9 month layoff by outpointing Speedy Hayase, 112, in a 10 round brawl at Korakuen Hall. Ebihara decked Hayase with a straight left to the jaw in the eighth.

D.C. DOINGS
By Bill Schulz

WASHINGTON—Welterweight Joe Shaw made an awesome bid for international recognition as he knocked out Leroy Roberts, Norristown, Pa., in the sixth round of a scheduled ten round feature at Washington Coliseum recently.

Shaw, 146, downed his highly-rated opponent with a savage left hook in the first and a powerful right in the second. But Roberts, 147, fought back gamely and took the third as he traded at long range.

Shaw captured the fourth, staggering Roberts twice, and moved in for the kill as the fifth round opened. He decked Roberts with combinations to the body and when the Pennsylvanian fought back on shaky legs exploded with a left to the jaw that ended the bout at 1:40 of the round. Roberts was unconscious for several minutes but was later pronounced fit by the ringside physician.

Washington's Calvin Woodland, 131½, completely outclassed the veteran Dick DiVola, 130, Charlestown, Mass., scoring a fifth round knockout. Woodland, a clever boxer, again demonstrated that he can hit, flooring DiVola three times.

Norman Smith, 136, Washington, hammered out a unanimous decision over Adrian Davis, 133½, Washington. Smith showed a good left hand as he frequently tagged the elusive Davis. Undefeated Roland Pryor, 147½, Washington, won a clearcut decision over durable Willie Gray, 156, another localite. Pryor won his fourth fight since turning pro, pummelling his heavier opponent throughout. In another six, David Ryan, 146, Chicago, outpointed Frank Davoli, 143, New York. The crowd of 3,118 paid $7748 as promoter Paul Woodard staged his third successful card in four months.

▸ Woodard has opened a spanking new gym at 910 S St., N.W., to train local fighters and develop new talent. Several dozen promising youngsters are working out under the tutelage of such veteran "professors" as Billy Edwards, Holly Mims, Pappy Gault, and Bobby Brown.

▸ The D.C. AAU's were a rousing success, with the finals attracting more than 3,000 fans to the University of Maryland's Cole Field House. Outstanding novice award went to 139-pound Chris Fox, a classy boxer from Annandale, Va., and senior division honors were captured by hard-punching Howard Quigley, 156, of Washington. The Finley Athletic Club won the novice team crown and Pappy Gault's Capital Athletic Club took the senior laurels, with Gault voted the outstanding coach.

Novice Division Champions: Gary Morris, 112; Nathaniel Harrison, 119; Rundy Beasley, 125; Emmett Guy, 132; Chris Fox, 139; Vernon Mason, 147; Mel Jacobs, 156; Fred Samuels, 165; Joseph Byrd, 178; Jerome Haywood, Heavyweight.

Open Division Champions: Herbie Smith, 112; Robert Green, 119; Ronald Miller, 125; Jimmy Bush, 132; Ray Bowden, 139; Alvin Anderson, 147; Howard Quigley, 156; Tommy Foss, 165; James McKinney, 178; Aaron Granting, heavyweight.

KANSAS CITY & VICINITY
By Max Yeargain

Kelly Burden, 165, Kansas City, scored his 16th victory in 18 bouts when he chalked up a technical knockout over Jack McCracken, 170, St. Louis, before 2,000 fans in the fourth round of a scheduled 10 round main event in Memorial Hall, Kansas City, Kansas.

Patrick Colin Kelly, 22, Kansas State University senior who weighs 200 pounds, stole the spectacular part of the show by stopping the more experienced Amos Lyman, 210, Omaha in 23 seconds of the first round, to send the crowd to its feet as the explosive punch landed. It was the only blow thrown by either fighter, and there was no question about its atomic power. Lyman, who fell like a tall pine before the woodman's axe was still flat on his back long after the 10 count had been tolled over him. In three professional fights, Patrick Colin Kelly named after the war hero, has spent less than three rounds in the ring.

Big Jim Beattie, 6-8, 240, St. Paul, scored his 20th knockout in 27 contests, in the supporting 10-rounder when he won by a technical knockout over Lou Bailey, 200, Omaha, when the Nebraskan could not answer the bell for the 5th round because of a badly cut eye. Beattie, managed by former fighter Glen Flanagan, was the physical master of Bailey and won by overpowering his smaller opponent.

Clarence McMinn, 158, Kansas City's Golden Gloves champion for 1967 in the middleweight made his professional debut, stopping Vic Markey, 155, Wichita, in the second round.

N.Y. HEAVY WARD TAKES AAU TITLE

SAN DIEGO, CAL.—Three champions retained their crowns in the 1967 National Amateur Athletic Union boxing finals; Roland Harris, Canton, Ohio, 132 pound class; James Wallington, Phila., 139 pound division, who represented the Army; and John Griffin, Cleveland.

Harris knocked out Quincelan Daniel, Detroit, in 39 seconds of the third round; Wallington outpointed Joe Louis Veldez, Houston, in 3 rounds; and Griffin outpointed Willie Blaylock, Chicago, Air Force, in 3 rounds.

Daniels was dropped for the count with a series of lefts and rights. Wallington knocked down Veldez in the first and third rounds to clinch his victory, and Griffin breezed against Blaylock.

The heavyweight battle between Forest Ward, New York, and Kenneth Norton, Marine Corps, was the most exciting of the evening. They fought to exhaustion.

The team trophy was won by the Pacific Association of Northern California.

National Golden Gloves champion Clay Hodges was eliminated in the semi-final by Ward, New York Golden Gloves title holder. The results:

106-Pound Class—Bennie Gerolaga, Stockton, Calif., outpointed Roland Oliveres, U.S. Army, Houston.

112-Pound Class—Roland Miller, Wahepton, N. D., outpointed Roland Hernandez, San Antonio.

119-Pound Class—Earl Large, Clovis, N. M., outpointed Bobby Green, Washington.

125-Pound Class — Roy DeFilippis, U.S. Navy, San Diego, knocked out Jose Peterson, San Juan, P. R., in 1:07 of second round.

132-Pound Class—Roland Harris, Canton, Ohio, knocked out Quincelan Daniels, Detroit, in 39 seconds of third round.

139-Pound Class—James Wallington, U.S. Army, Philadelphia, outpointed Joe Louis Valdez, Houston.

147-Pound Class—Kim Booker, Oakland, Calif., outpointed Richard Royal, U.S.M.C., New York.

159-Pound Class—Arthur Davis, Hamilton A.F.B., knocked out James Caffy, Youngstown, Ohio, in 1:33 of second round.

165-Pound Class—Leonard Hutchins, Detroit, outpointed Arthur Phelps, U.S. Army, Wilson, N. C.

178-Pound Class—John Griffin, Cleveland, outpointed Willie Blaylock, U.S.A.F., Chicago.

Heavyweight Class — Forest Ward, New York, outpointed Kenneth Norton, U.S.M.C., Jacksonville, Ill.

Curtis Cokes receives his Ring Magazine Welterweight Championship Belt from Nat Fleischer, editor and publisher of The Ring, at a dinner recently in Dallas.

RING BELT FOR COKES; DALLAS PLANS BIG BOUTS

Dallas, Texas, like its sister city, Houston, is going in for boxing on a big scale. Guided by Kenneth Halsey, a prominent sportsman, arrangements for major boxing in Dallas' auditorium, which has a seating capacity of 10,600 and is one of the show places of the city, have been completed.

For his opening show, Halsey contracted to have Curtis Cokes defend the world welterweight crown against Francois Pavilla.

The interest in Halsey's venture is high. The Mayor of Dallas and the top businessmen have gone all out to aid in bringing Dallas into the front line as a major boxing center. Halsey, who has promoted the rodeo and other shows in Texas and the midwest, is lining up many events. He has made his headquarters in the Cabana Hotel, where alongside the swimming pool, he has erected a ring for training, the first outdoor training quarters yet seen in the city.

Cokes is popular with Texans. How popular Nat Fleischer, publisher of The Ring, was able to note recently when he was honored with a big dinner on the occasion of his presenting The Ring Magazine's Welterweight Championship Belt to Curtis. It was a rare and pleasant event.

CORNHUSKER FISTIC HAPPENINGS

By Thomas W. Lovgren

Professional boxing is almost nil in the state of Nebraska but Omaha middleweight title contender Art Hermandez keeps busy in other parts of the world.

He made his fourth trip to Paris and his second of this year recently where in the Palace de Sports, French middleweight Soleymane Diallo, 158½, garnered a 10 round split decision win over Art Hernandez, 160½, before a record breaking crowd.

The bout started out with Diallo trying for a first round K.O. and the action was continued throughout the bout. The crowd booed the decision which is usually the case when Hernandez drops a close one in Paris.

▸ Bill Nielson, Omaha Heavyweight has a new manager in Pinky George. Pinky is one of the most colorful figures in boxing.

PUERTO RICO FIGHT BRINGS ON A RIOT

By Mario Rivera Martino

San Juan, Puerto Rico—Frankie Narvaez wasn't in the fight, but we had a little riot here, just the same. Referee Francisco Colon Garcia brought on the trouble when he disqualaified Jose Menon Gonzales for intentional butting in the ninth round of his joust with middleweight contender Ferd Hernandez.

Under local rules, the referee lacked the power to give Gonzales the heave-ho for butting.

The fight had been progressing at a fast tempo with Gonzalez enjoying a slight lead, when hell broke loose in the ninth round. Their first exchange produced a nasty gash over Hernandez' right eye to start the trouble.

At 0:46 of the round the referee raised Hernandez's right hand in token of victory after having consulted with the ring physician and concluding that an intentional butt had been committed.

The fans in the upper grandstands figured that an injustice had been perpetrated against their idol. Gonzalez had to be escorted by the police to the dressing room. The referee required police protection.

Local boxing rules do not give the referee the power to stop a fight because of a butt. It stipulates that this is not a major foul. A low blow, on the other hand, is considered a major foul. Colon-Garcia was not authorized to stop the fight.

The undercard was composed of three ten rounders. Las Vegas welterweight and stablemate of Hernandez, Larry Clark, was upset by the relatively unknown Dominican Alejandro Gonzalez. The bout was stopped in the eighth because of Clark's cut eye. Gonzalez had a comfortable margin against his ever retreating foe who was tiring.

Unbeaten welterweight prospect Willie Munoz proved he is ready for bigger things when he scored over tough Jerry Brewer, of Baltimore. Brewer had an early lead but faded.

Pete Toro easily outpointed Jimmy Meilleur, of Canada.

▸ Lightweight Juan Jimenez, Santo Domingo, who's chief claim to fame is that he beat lightweight contender Teo Cruz seven years ago, scored a ten round decision over local Benny Huertas at Bayamon.

Although the decision was of the split variety, there was no question that the veteran Jimenez was too cagey for his more inexperienced rival. The writer had it 6-4 in favor of Jimenez.

Lanky welterweight Luis Vinsles was content to run and peck against Angel Luis Espada. Espada tried to make a fight of it, but was unable to catch up with him. The draw decision in six rounds was not well received.

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The Chatter Box

By JOHN ORT

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Oddity of the Month: In Sacramento, Cal., Freddie Roots and Lino Armenteros engaged in a light heavyweight contest. Managers often accuse their fighters of not using their heads. One thing for sure, the pilots of the above-mentioned boxers cannot accuse their fighters of this. In the fourth round they collided, head to head, in the middle of the ring. Roots got the worst of the meeting of the minds. He came away with a head cut, and forced referee Louis Gonzalez to stop the bout. Because Roots was ahead on points he was declared technical winner. That's one way for a fighter to get a-head in this business! Ouch!

The New Jersey Boxing Writers Association held its annual dinner at Snuffy's Steak House, in Scotch Plains. Awards were made to Carmine Bilotti, for forty years of service to boxing, and Jersey Jones, of The Ring, for service to boxing. Tony Galento received the Old Timer award.

Honored as New Jersey fighter of the year was Emile Griffith, former welterweight and middleweight champion. Emile is having problems with a jinx. A few years back he was voted fighter of the year by the Boxing Writers Association and in his next bout was knocked out in one round by Ruben Carter. Now, after having been named by the New Jersey writers he dropped his middleweight title to Nino Benvenuti. But Emile says. "I'm not superstitious." Wanna bet?

The old San Francisco Cow Palace is to be cut into two sections, from its 16,000 seat sprawling layout to two 7,000 seat ampitheatres. The Superior Boxing Club, Jim Pusateri promotor and Benny Ford matchmaker, will run monthly shows, they say.

Cow Palace's size and high overhead, made it too costly to promote there. Only one fight has been promoted there in the last five years.

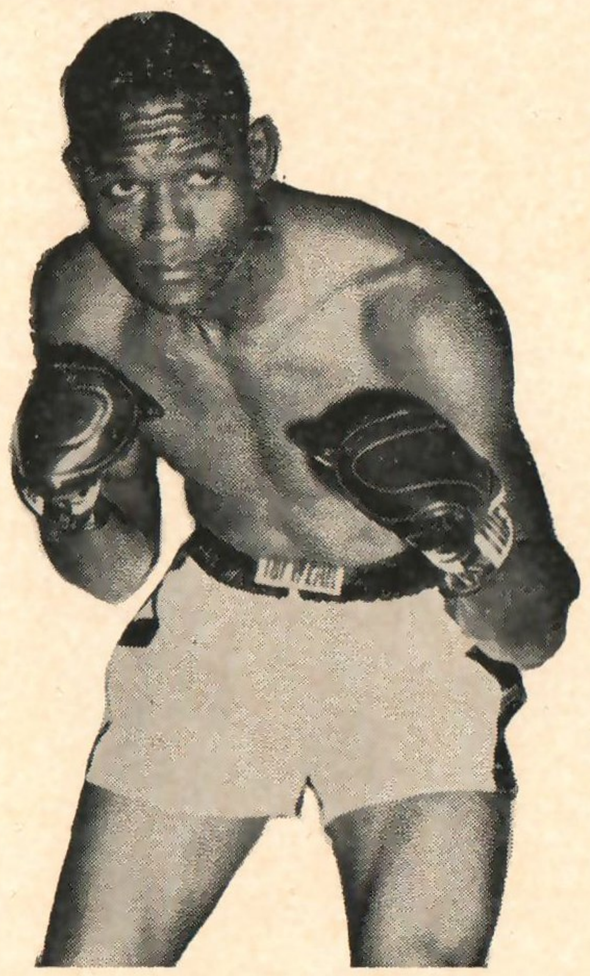
Veteran fight manager Jack Hurley is reported in fair condition after undergoing surgery in Seattle. Hurley, who managed many of the greats of the past, is manager of heavy Boone Kirkman.

Light heavyweight challenger Eddie Cotton has offered to go to Viet Nam to box exhibitions for our fighting men. Cotton, who served in the Navy during World War II, feels that the activities of Cassius Clay need an antidote.

Ring 14 of Jersey City ran a successful benefit for Marty Servo and Irish Bobby Brady in the Jersey City armory. The program was arranged with the help of Jimmy Coletta, and the matchmaking was done by Duke Stefano of Madison Square Garden.

Joey Archer, who failed to wrest the middleweight title from Emile Griffith last January, soon will travel to Dublin, to fight Scotland's Cowboy McCormack.

Don Elbaum, who promotes in Pennsylvania and Ohio, has competition in Scranton, Pa. Gordon Dempsey and Al Braverman have been promoting monthly shows there.



EDDIE COTTON

Pinny Schaefer's gladiators, heavyweight Leotis Martin and middleweight Benny Briscoe, are scheduled in Trinidad, Miami, Toledo and Buenos Aires within the next few months. Schaefer hopes to have Martin take on Sonny Liston in Goteborg, Sweden.

Australia's Johnny Famechon hopes to fight Howard Winstone for the British featherweight title. However, Winstone is scheduled to fight Vicente Saldivar for the world featherweight title in Mexico City.

Sonny Liston, who has been boxing in Sweden, was officially banned from England by the British Board. Sonny shouldn't feel too badly about this because he can box in Nevada, which has granted him a license. This is the state that banned the Clay-Patterson fight because "it would not be in the best interests of our state."

Manager Edward Mears, whose heavyweight, Ray Anderson, is undefeated, announces that he is ready to put his boy in with top contenders. Anderson's record is 11 wins, with 7 knockouts. He has an outstanding amateur record of 34 wins, 25 by K.O.'s and one loss. He was Akron Golden Gloves champion, 1962-1964.

Joe Burns, light heavyweight out of New Orleans, who is undefeated in nine pro fights, is looking forward to bigger game. Kermit Williams is trying to get Eddie Cotton or Bobo Olson into a ring with his boy.

Pappy Gault is managing Norman Smith, junior lightweight out of Washington, D. C. Angelo Pucci, matchmaker in D. C., hopes junior lightweight champion Flash Elorde will come stateside to defend against Smith this Summer.

Washington nurses the possibility that if Dick Tiger retains his light heavyweight title against Jose Torres, he will defend against Bob Foster in D. C. Stadium late this summer.

The Holy Name Society has been active in amateur boxing in Bayonne, N. J. It has run two shows with more than a thousand in attendance each time.

Joe Garfield and David Costa, of the New Garden gym in N. Y. are putting together a stable of boxers. They include light heavyweight Fred Williams, Costa Rica welterweight Dorman Crawford, and heavyweight Bert Peroiogord (Perry). They are being trained by Frank Cocco and Whitey Bimstein. Dave and Joe hope to promote amateur shows in Palm Gardens, New York.

Former featherweight champion Willie Pep was honored at a dinner in Hartford, Conn. Willie, who finally has retired for good, is now a referee.

The new Madison Square Garden in New York, going up at Penn Station, attracts more sidewalk superintendents than any other rising structure in this city —and there are many in the process. The unusual contours of the arena, and the fact that it is not another office building made of aluminum and glass, with the architectural beauties of a subway latrine, draw the crowd. Del Webb, who sold his half of the Yankees, is involved in the Garden construction. . . . When the Garden announced the Benvenuti-Griffith fight for July it said something about holding it in Shea Stadium, home of the Mets. However, nothing more has been announced concerning Shea, and it may be bypassed. . . . The Herman Taylor dinner in Philadelphia was a splendid and merited tribute to a veteran who has done big things for boxing in the Quaker city.

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending May 15, 1967

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Joe Frazier kayoed Jeff Davis, 5 and outpointed Scrap Iron Johnson, 10. Oscar Bonavena halted Hubert Hilton, 10. George Chuvalo stopped Willie Besmanoff, 3.

Karl Mildenberger stopped Amos Lincoln, 6.

Henry Cooper beat Boston Jacobs, 10. Sonny Liston stopped Elmer Rush, 6. Jerry Quarry kayoed Alex Miteff, 3. Wayne Kindred outpointed Matt Blow, 10. Dave Zyglewicz stopped Dave Centi, 3. Jim Beattie halted Johnny Barrazza, 2.

Aaron Eastling kayoed Gus Lewis, 2, beat Orville Qualls, 8. Jack Bodell beat Sonny Moore, 10. Carl Grizzi won from Bepi Ross, 10. Ron Marsh defeated Eddie Vick, 10.

Gerhad Zech stopped Peter Weiland, 7. Johnny Perscott outpointed Giulio Saraudi, 10. Wendell Newton halted Billy Gray, 10. Boone Kirkman stopped Lars Norling, 2. Chuck Wepner halted Don McAteer, 7. Pedro Agosta kayoed Young Joe Louis, 6.

Joe Roman lost to Hal Carroll, 8. Billy Crowder beat Alfonso Gillis, 8. Dean Oswald kayoed Tyrone Parker, 4. Wibert Elbert stopped Jimmy Hartzell, 3.

Jack Nelson halted Terry Beeler, 2. Tony Ventura kayoed Tom Collins, 1. Jimmy Payne halted Rudy Robinson, 1. Adam Walker won from Tony Fernandez, 4.

Phil Smith beat Kid Saucer, 4, halted Jimmy Jones, 2. Billy Williams won from Johnny Watson, 4. Billy Markquart beat Charlie Harris, 4.

LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bob Foster stopped Eddie Cotton, 3.

Roger Rouse beat Henry Hank, 10. Piero Del Papa outpointed Pekka Kokkonen, 10. Jimmie Dupree kayoed Marion Connor, 1. Harold Johnson defeated Herschel Jacobs, 10.

Mark Tessman halted Mel Sartin, 5, Clarence Boone, 3. Bobby Dennard stopped Cassius Clay Scott, 3, Willie Lee, 4. George Seals kayoed George Talbot, 2, kayoed by Dean Whitlock, 2. Gene Romero halted Karl Zurheide, 10. Duane Horseman stopped Willie Dixon, 4. Lou Gutierrez kayoed Florentino Fernandez, 6.

Fred Roots won on a technical decision over Lino Armenteros, 4. Hal Carroll halted Clay Thomas, 6. Billy Conlin stopped Oscar Haynie, 3. Pedro Miranda kayoed Bas Van Duivenbode, 3. Billy Marsh drew with Al Williams.

Joe Hopkins stopped Erwin Thatch, 4. Wendel Joseph decisioned Clem Clark, 6. George Jasmer was stopped by Dick Jones, 1. Thomas Clark halted Felix Viera, 2.

Elliot Miller beat Bobby Harrington, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Nino Benvenuti beat Emile Griffith, 15, to win World Welterweight Title.

Sandro Mazzinghi outpointed Henry Aldrich, 10. Ferd Hernandez won on a disqualification over Jose Gonzales, 9. Johnny Pritchett drew with Milo Colhoun, 10. Don Fullmer halted Joe Hopkins, 6. Jimmy Lester kayoed Charlie Austin, 10.

Fred Little beat Charley James, 10. Wally Swift decisioned Lennie Gibbs, 10. Tom Bogs outpointed Harry Scott, 10. Freddie Thomas kayoed Pat Dwyer, 1. Billy Lonergan decisioned Kid Bassey II, 10. Joe DeNucci beat Rocky Halliday, 10.

Jacques Marty stopped Pascal DiBenedetto, 14, French Middleweight Title. George Wright halted Ron Thompson, 4. Soulyemane Diallo outpointed Art Hernandez, 10. Mario Lamagna stopped Jock Tarouk, 2. Carl Moore lost to Dub Huntley, 10.

Rafael Gutierrez stopped Ed McGruder, 6. Carlis Monzon beat Osvaldo Marino, 10, kayoed Angel Coria, 6. Levi Campbell outpointed Mel Bennett, 10.

Oscar Freeman drew with Bobby Harrington, 10, lost to David Ryan, 10. Linnes Johnson beat Ernie Robinson, 8. Paul Christi stopped Joe Brown, 7. Dannie Perez kayoed Charlie Watson, 4. Hilton Whittaken defeated Junius Hinton, 8.

Ray Cano drew with Johnny Voyon, 6. Larry Buck beat Mike Seyler, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Ernie Lopez stopped Frank Jennings, 9. Leroy Roberts was stopped by Joe Shaw, 5. Musashi Nakano halted Jesse Cortez, 7.

Bo Hogberg kayoed Manuel Gonzalez, 8. Pete Toro beat Jim Meilleur, 10. Bobby Alford halted Ray Malone, 1. Doug McLeod stopped Tony Lopez, 6. Ramon LaCruz beat L. C. Morgan, 10.

Hector Mendez kayoed Ovidio Bravo, 6. Abel Cachazu outpointed Tito Marschall, 10. Jorge Peralta won from Omar Salvo, 10. Jimmy McGowan halted Dick Barrett, 4. Oscar Morris stopped Howard Mededith, 3.

Gene Herrick beat Frank Davilla, 8. Miguel Barretto outpointed Dave Morine, 8. David Ryan defeated Frank Davilla, 6.

Roland Pryor beat Willie Gray, 6, kayoed Jimmy McLain, 5. Billy Lloyd kayoed Dot Dews, 3. Aldo Battistutta beat Freddy Martinovich, 6.

Freddie DeVore defeated Larry Wright, 4. Ron Cabassa beat Pete Santiago, 4. Glen Martin defeated Jack Tyree, 4.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Paul Fujii kayoed Sandro Lopopolo, 2, to win World Junior Welterweight Title.

Juan Sombrita decisioned Faradji, 10. Eddie Perkins decisioned Adolph Pruitt, 10. Marcel Cerdan beat Robert Gallois, 10.

Rodrigo Valdez drew with Mario Rossitto, 10. Herbie Lee was stopped by Dick DiVeronica, 6. Miguel Barretto beat Jerry Brewer, 8. Anthony Gay decisioned Joe Walcott, 8.

Ronnie Harris decisioned Roger Evans, 6, Howard Moore, 6. Gil Martinez was stopped by Lloyd Ungricht, 2. Sidney Dean beat Richie Williams, 4.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Carlos (Teo) Cruz beat Frankie Narvaez, 10.

Borge Krogh outpointed Al Rocca, 10, Jacque Kancellary, 10. Nicolino Loche beat Ubaldino Escobar, 10.

Ismael Laguna stopped Vicente Rivas, 5. Maurice Cullen decisioned Vic Andretti, 15, to retain British Lightweight Title. Ray Aligun halted Benito Ortiz, 6, Joe Africa, 6.

Lloyd Marshall outpointed Bud Anderson, 10. Koji Okano beat Hidenori Tanaka, 10. Jose Luis Vallejo stopped Baby Vasquez, 2, Ceferino Borbua, 2. Raul Soriano won on a disqualification over Thurman Durden, 3. Jose Gabino stopped Lechero Gonzalez, 7. Beau Jaynes beat Bolo Martinez, 10.

Doug Agin outpointed Johnny Howard, 12. Akihisa Someya decisioned Fighting Kim, 10. Ronnie Sampson defeated Jerry Graci, 10. Doug Charles stopped Angel Rivera, 6.

Alton Colter beat Jimmy Fields, 10. Victor Baerga beat Jose Colon, 8. Luke Erwin outpoined Johnny Alfaro, 8. Moises Bargas defeated Papo Villa, 4.

Gene Green drew with Gary Holliday, 6, stopped Herbie Crandle, 6. J. W. Jackson stopped Harold Larvin, 1. George Ayala drew with Benito Vega, 4.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Flash Elorde beat Fujio Mikami, 10, non title. Jose Legra decisioned Ameur Lamine, 10. Johnny Famechon outpointed Roberto Wong, 10.

Kid Tano beat Derafin Cardos, 8, Salvatore Gennatiempo, 8. Felice Becco decisioned Antonio Villasante, 8. Calvin Woodland kayoed Dick DiVola, 5. Carmelo Coscia beat Hector Oliva, 10.

Norman Smith beat Johnny Howard, 6, Adrian Davis, 6. Angel Rivera decisioned Rubin DeJesus, 6. Lester Franklyn beat Anthony David, 6. Steve Kesey kayoed Denny Stenado, 2.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Mitsunori Seki halted Jessie De Valle, 7. Freddy Rengifo kayoed Durango Kid, 7, stopped by Enrique Higgins, 8. Alex Benitez beat Beto Maldonaldo, 10.

Antonio Herrera outpointed Jorge Ramos, 10. Frankie Crawford kayoed Ric Penalosa, 9. Billy McGrandle kayoed Les Gillis, 12, Canadian Featherweight Title. Johnny Duncan stopped Joe Hope, 12.

Rafiu King halted Jimmy Anderson, 5. Rafael Altamirano beat David Vazquez, 10. Carlos Navarrete kayoed Steve Ortiz, 4, drew with Zorrito Trejo, 10. Gavilan Espinosa halted Santiago Jimenez, 8. Elias Vargas stopped Jimmy Velazco, 2. Joe Camargo beat Joe del la Rosa, 8.

Coco Garcia kayoed Negro Flores, 1. Zurdo Montoya halted Pablo Reyes, 5, beat Hector Esqueda, 10. Santos Sandoval decisioned Manuel Flores, 10. Carlos Hernandez won on a disqualification from Ramon Reyes, 3. Damaso Garcia beat Martin Martinez, 10. Jose Larrocha stopped Negro Vazquez, 6.

Ricardo Manzanillo outpointed Sugar Pino, 10. Chucho Castaneda halted Rosendo Balcazar, 3. Zurdo Pina won from Cuervo Hernandez, 10. Paco Pizana kayoed Panchito Hernandez, 2. Jesus Mora outpointed Zurdo Ramos, 10.

Jose Hernandez stopped Guillermo Guerrero, 4. Chichi Ontiveros kayoed Manuel Bastidas, 1. Tony Lugo drew with Rafael Macias, 10. Genaro Gaytan halted Silverio Chamaco Ortiz, 9. Aurelio Muniz beat Dwight Hawkins, 10, Hawkins then stopped Jose Garcia, 10.

Chun Won Kang was stopped by Kiyohide Yuzudo, 7. Hajime Taroura outpointed Osamu Miyashita, 10. Johnny Jamito drew with Jaguar Kakizawa, 10. Katsutoshi Aoki halted Takeo Bando, 4.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Fighting Harada beat Tiny Palacio, 12, non-title. Jesus Pimental kayoed Marciano Rivas, 4.

Mimun Ben Ali outpointed Alan Rudkin, 15, to retain European Bantamweight Title. Kamara Diop beat Manolin Alvarez, 10.

Rollie Penaroya beat Alex Rivera, 10, Raton Perez, 10, drew with Lupe Gonzalez, 10. Ushiwakamaru Harada stopped Katsuo Saito, 2, beat Kim Hyon, 10. Maclovic Medina beat Memin Rangel, 10. Julioi Guerrero kayoed Jesus Chavez, 5. Zorrito Trejo outpointed Jorge Berzunza, 10. Rancho Gonzalez halted Joe Albornoz, 1.

Julio Segura stopped Chucho Hernandez, 2. Pepe el Toro kayoed Kid Arjona, 2. Alex Baena halted Alacran Mendez, 10. Chaparro Reyes beat Sugar Pino, 10. Zorrita Ramirez stopped Chuch Contreras, 3.

Paco Pizana halted Panchito Hernandez, 2. Chucho Montoya kayoed Juan Sanchez, 2. Jesus Mora outpointed Zurdo Ramos, 10. Halcon Ruiz lost to Chocolate Zambrano, 10. Apolonio Reyna beat Rocky Garcia, 10.

Gualberto Moran stopped Chaparro Heredia, 6. Manolo Jimenez decisioned Mike Herman, 6. Pedro Sanchez halted Jeronimo Cisneros, 4.

Raton Pacheco stopped Panterita Casanova, 3. Julio Segura decisioned Roberto Sanmartin, 10. Jose Luis Valdovinos beat Raul Herrera, 10.

FLYWEIGHTS

Octavio Gomez beat Ramiro Garcia, 10. Katsutoshi Takayama decisioned Kim Chang, 10. Fernando Atzori outpointed Payo Belanco, 10. Rocky Gattellari defeated Romy Guelas, 10.

Rene Libeer stopped Vilella Wellington, 6. Hiroyuki Ebihara decisioned Speedy Hayase, 10. Luis Vargas beat Japones Garcia, 10. Chueco Mendez outpointed Pulguita Herrera, 10. Relampago Zarate won from Pajarito Ruiz, 10.

Rach Camara decisioned Julio Romero, 10. Juan Peralta beat Charrito Lopez, 8. Luis Gonzalez outpointed Daniel Gutierrez, 10. Oscar Rivas kayoed Richon Reyes, 9. Chucho Garcia halted Elias Oliva, 7.

Chamaco Cetina beat Piteco Alvarez, 10. Manuel Avendano outpointed Kid Gavilan, 10. Fidel Cabrera decisioned Chiquis Fernandez, 10. Jorge Quiroz beat Battling Comiteco, 10.

Mike Herman drew with Chamaco Cetina, 6. Chamaco Castillo won from Berrinches Ramos, 10. Lorenzo Gutierrez decisioned Armando Villa, 10. Chucho Garcia beat Pedro Rodriguez, 10. Fermin Gomez kayoed Richon Reyes, 2. Julio Romero outpointed Rach Camara, 10.

IF GYPSY JOE LACKS SKILLS, HE STILL GIVES YOU A LAUGH

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non-serious fighter extant. He is so relaxed at all times, he forgets training schedules in favor of sleeping, and is seldom on time. But on fight night he is in shape and eager for action.

Nothing excites or disturbs him, not even the possibility of becoming the welterweight world champion, such as it is.

Boxing is not Harris' whole life. He is noted as an expert horseman, riding in a wild, cowboy style that is as unorthodox as his boxing.

The tag name "Gypsy" was acquired when, as an amateur, he used to decorate his street attire with small, colored bells jingling from his shoes, hat and jacket.

Boxing has had its clowns. But in so far as memory and the pages of ring history serve, the game has not yet had the likes of comic Gypsy among its world champions. Who knows? Perhaps boxing is setting up that kind of title holder.

FRAZIER GIVES MIAMI FANS VIEW OF KNOCKOUT POWER

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Fla.—In the most impressive performance viewed at the Miami Beach Auditorium this season, Olympic heavyweight Joe Frazier, 207, used non-stop tactics at close range to mow down the sturdy Jeff Davis, Houston, 205½, in the early moments of round 5 of the scheduled 10.

Big Jeff made a desperate attempt to find punching room for his straight right but the leach-like Frazier, cemented to his foe, dug in and connected with left hooks to the head and body with jolting effect.

In the 3rd and 4th rounds, Davis dropped a few short rights to Frazier's head but found a rolling target. Jeff made several tries to unhook from the persistent Olympian but Frazier trapped him each time. Frazier's left hand found a target often.

In round 5, Frazier charged out of his corner and connected wiht two wide hooks, putting Davis on the deck. The gamester arose on shaky legs. Frazier bore in again but referee Jimmy Peerless called a halt.

In a supporting 10 round bout, Linnes Johnson, Miami, 160, earned a split-decision win over hard hitting Charley Jordan, Miami, 163. Johnson's was more aggressive throughout the bout and apparently the deciding factor as they bounced about in a see-saw battle.

In a scheduled 6 rounder, Jimmy Ruffin, Miami, 158, won via a TKO over Roscoe Bell, Melbourne, 150, in the 5th round.

Robert Willis, 135, Miami, showed a lot of speed as he split-decisioned Jose Rojas, 130½, Miami, in a 4.

In two amateur bouts, George Holden, Melbourne, knocked out John Hudgins, Miami, in the first of a scheduled three rounder heavyweight bout. Jackie Compton, Melbourne, and Tommy Torino, Miami, drew in a 3 round lightweight match.

▸ Before being knocked out by Frazier, Davis was a winner over Willie Johnson, 189 in a ten rounder. Willie had been stopped by Floyd Patterson pronto, fast and convincingly. But he had been revived in time to tackle Davis.

Though Johnson pressed the fight most of the way he fell into the close-range pattern of fighting recently adopted by Davis. Davis won just about every round, but Johnson, who belied the theory, "when you kill the body the head dies too", earned his share of the applause as he took advantage of every long range opportunity.

Though Willie absorbed a severe pummelling around the midriff he was on his feet at the end.

In the supporting ten rounder, Al Jones, Goulds, 237, in his first one since recovery from illness, had too much reach and power in his left hand for Levi Forte, Miami, 198. Though hardly in condition, southpaw Al set his sights on Levi in round 3 with a couple of knockdowns, then again in round 4 before the referee interfered.

In a six rounder, Tony Ventura, Syracuse, 217, was unveiled. Though opposed by tall and tricky Freddy Green, Perry, 199, who dropped Tony to one knee in round 2, and generally ruffled his feathers for most of three rounds, Ventura showed his power. Finally in round 4, he excused Green.

Burnell Scott, Melbourne, 148½, and Doyle Shiver, Jacksonville, 150, boxed a fast four, with Scott, victor.

▸ George Chuvalo, Canadian heavyweight champion, 217 landed to head and body of Willie Besmanoff, Melbourne, 198½, with a savage attack before referee Barney Felix stopped the action in round 3 at Miami Beach Auditorium.

Willie, who was dumped twice in the final round, had won 6 or 7 comeback attempts prior to this disastrous meeting and harbored plans for a couple of European shots. Willie showed little fear of the tank-like charger from Canada as he landed respectable straight rights to the head during the first two rounds. The armor plated Canadian ripped back with left hooks, unaffected by Besmanoff's offense.

In the 8 semi-final, Johnny Alford, Phila., 172, in his 2nd comeback effort, showed lots of style and cleverness as he hammered away with clean shots at Henry (Sleepy) Mathews, Brunswick, Ga., 183. The bout was halted in round 7. Under the guidance of George Roth-Seiden, the cunning Alford may yet fulfill the promise held for him when he began his pro career several seasons back.

In a sixer, Tony Ventura, Syracuse, 214, belted Tom Collins, Miami, 178, into a K.O. loss before 2 minutes had elapsed in round 1. Prior to the finish, Tony himself was tagged with a hard right on the chin, one knee dipping to the canvas.

In another six rounder, Ray Cano, Puerto Rico, 161, and Johnny Voyon, 158, fought one of the hardest bouts seen here in months as they brought the audience to a standing ovation. It was a draw.

In amateur bouts, Huey Connor, 151, emerged a TKO victor over L. B. Brown, 147, in round 3, and George Holden, Melbourne, 180, a 3 round split decision victor over Steve Sipel, Miami, 213.

Gomeo Brennan, Bimini, 159, continuing a recently contrived skien of victories, started slow gainst Rudy Rodriguez, Minneapolis, 159, but by round 7, converted his opponent to a defenseless and battered import, who realized he had strayed from his class.

After a Brennan assault dropped Rodriguez for an eight count in the 7th round, Referee Barney Felix allowe dthe bout to continue but eyed Rodriguez carefully. Only seconds later it became obvious that Rudy could not halt Brennan's attack and the fight was stopped.

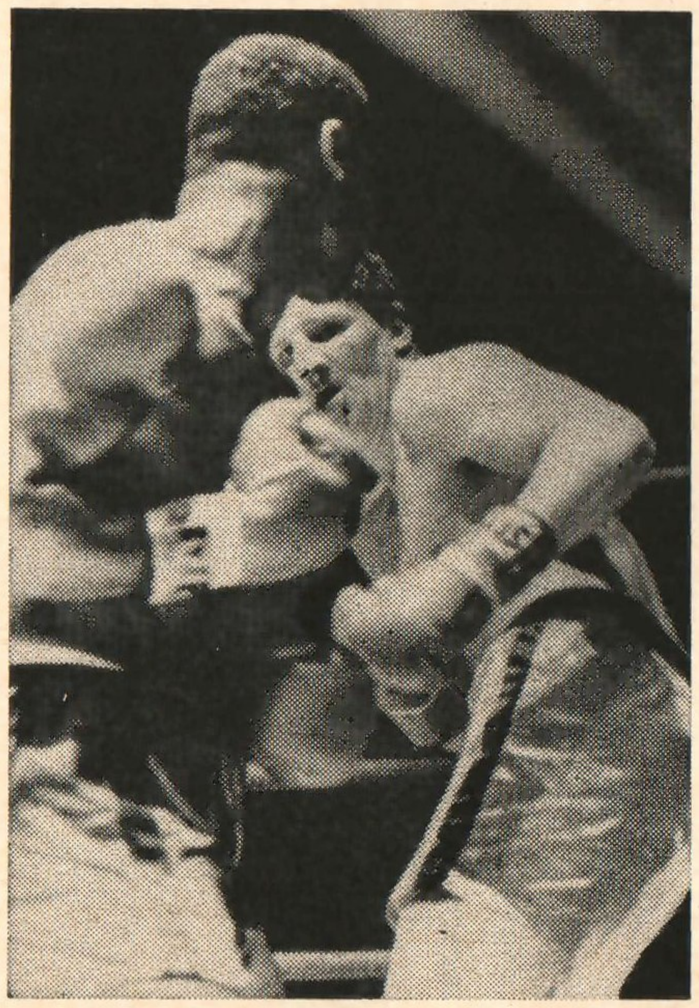
In the semi-final scheduled for 8 rounds, Levi Forte, Miami, 195, powered right hands to the chin of hands-down Mose Harrell, St. Petersburg, 190, and stopped the youngster in round three.

In another 8 rounder, Linnes Johnson, Miami, 164, showed much improvement as he forced the fight all the way and pummelled Kieth Laufenberger, Washington, D. C., 164, into a TKO defeat in the 4th round.

In the last of three eight round bouts at the Miami Beach Auditorium, Rocky Martin, Spokane, Washington, 172½, planted a KO on the chin of William McIntyre, Miami, 175, in round 4.

In a 4 round walkout bout, Jose Rojas, Puerto Rico, 129, outscored Willie Melton, Melbourne, 127½, in a wild melee.

Top amateurs of Florida and Georgia battled in the Fort Hesterly Armory, Tampa, for the Florida State AAU championships. About 200 entries lined up for the two day tournament which qualified the winners for the San Diego finals . . . Former Canadian and British Empire featherweight champion Benny Gould now on an extended stay in Miami with his wife. Gould, who gained recognition as World Junior Featherweight Champion by virtue of his 15 round victory over



Joe Frazier is about to move in for the kill in round five of his bout with Jeff Davis, who has just gotten up from the floor at Miami Beach, but the referee mercifully intervened, awarding the bout to Frazier.

Jackie Kid Wolfe in Toronto on December 27, 1922, may settle here. Frank Sinatra and his movie making unit lined up four former World titleholders for a Miami Beach 5th Street Gym scene as part of a new film the singer is producing. Beau Jack, Joey Maxim, Willie Pastrano and Luis Rodriguez were the four champs. Yama Bahama and Gomeo Brennan, former British Empire middleweight King, were part of the scenery.

Latest member of the South Florida Veteran Boxer's association is Benny Block, 200 bout lightweight who boxed Joey Harrison, Pete Nebo, Pinkey Burns, Joey Kaufman, Joey Biss, Joey Eulo, Phil and Mickey Griffen plus ten outings with Jackie Schupak.

FOR THE BEST IN BOXING—IT'S THE RING
FOR THE BEST IN WRESTLING—IT'S RING WRESTLING

GLOVE GAB FROM DETROIT

By Ed Wagonlander

Detroit, Mich.—Amateur boxing again gained the spotlight with the Michigan AAU finals in Cobo Arena. Detroit boxers took eight of nine Michigan titles.

Champions from Detroit were: Heavyweight-Chuck Haynes; 178-Larry Charleston; 165-Leonard Hutchins; 156-Franklin Carpenter; 139-John Cromer; 132-Quiencelan Daniels; 125-Gregory George; 119-Leroy Gilmore; The lone outstater was Bob Every of Lansing at 147 lbs.

At San Diego, Leonard Hutchins, 165 pound Detroiter, is one of eleven amateur fighters who will represent us in the Pan-American Games at Winnipeg.

Hutchins decisioned Arthur Phelps, Wilson, N. C. for the National AAU title.

Team-mate Quincelan Daniel, 132, was not so fortunate when he was stopped by Canton, Ohio's Ron Harris in 39 seconds of the third round. A month previously, the Detroiter had taken the National Golden Glove title at Milwaukee.

Harris was one of the three defending titlists to retain his AAU crown. James Wallington, Philadelphia, 139, and John Griffin, Cleveland, 178, were the others.

Detroit's welterweight Hedgeman Lewis kept his unbeaten streak intact by scoring three more victories lately.

At Newark, Ohio, he scored a 6 round knockout over Sam Ivory, of Flint. At Louisville, he gained a unanimous six-round decision over his Gary, Ind. foe, Charley Lewis, while giving away 16 pounds. Hedgeman scored a knockdown in the fourth round. He wound up his streak by going to Los Angeles and knocking out Mel Fields, of Phoenix, Ariz. in 3 rounds.

Other Detroit boxers to see action were: Middleweight Allen Evans, competing in his first pro outing, decisioning Lawrence Howard at Louisville; lightweight Richard Alexander had a four bout winning streak halted by Josue Marquez in a four round decision on the same card. Tony Lopez lost his Michigan Welterweight title when he was stopped by Doug MacLeod, of Grand Rapids, in 6 rounds at the latter's home base.

Henry Hank, Detroit's light-heavyweight, traveled to Missoula, Montana, to lose a unanimous 10-round decision to No. 1 challenger, Roger Rouse.

Michigan's Boxing Commissioner, Chuck Davey, has given an ultimatum to Cus D'Amato. His Grand Rapids heavyweight, Buster Mathis, will will not be permitted to box in Michigan again unless he meets suitable opponents and the bouts are scheduled for at least 8 rounds.

Wilbur (Skeeter) McClure, Detroit's fighting school teacher, has taken a leave of absence to give full attention to his ring career.

CLARK GIVES MACHEN BEATING

By Don Fraser

SACRAMENTO, CAL.—With youth and speed going for him, San Francisco's Henry Clark, 210, won all the way from aged Eddie Machen, 194½, in a 12-rounder at Memorial Auditorium.

Clark's California heavy title was on the block in the no-knockdown tussle. Machen, 34, couldn't catch up with the elusive youngster.

Joe Herman, who manages Clark, has quite a prospect. Machen promised to retire. Later he said he might give it another try.

In the top supporting match, Pete Peterson, 150, stopped Benny Passa, 149, (4). The gate was $12,100.

▸ **At Stockton,** Beto Maldonado, 131, Los Angeles, who boxes just about every other week, took a 10-rounder from Marcel Cid, 129, Mexico City at the Civic Auditorium.

In a co-feature, Rollie Penaroya, 121, of the Philippines, starched Ramiro (Yaqui) Nides, 121, Sonora, Mexico in the ninth.

▸ **At Stockton,** California featherweight king Alex Benitez, 127, had to hustle to gain the nod over Beto Maldonado, 127, in their 10-rounder. Benitez' title was not at stake. Filipino Rollie Penaroya, 119, punched out a decision over Alex Rivera, 133, in a co-feature 10-rounder.

▸ **At BAKERSFIELD,** Daniel Valdez, of Los Angeles, turned up a mild upset at Strelich Stadium. After 12 blistering rounds, Valdez was declared the winner over Rudy Corona.

With the decision went Corona's California bantamweight championship. There was no knockdown, but loads of action. Each tipped the scales at 118.

TORONTO BOXING NEWS
By Frank Allnutt

The fight game suffered a double loss in the deaths of two of the best flyweights of the twenties. Frankie Genaro, former world's flyweight champion passed away at the age of 65. Less than three weeks later, a former opponent of Frankie's passed away at Doctors Hospital in Toronto. His name was Steve Rocco, age 60.

Genaro was mainly responsible for putting Toronto on the fight map in the time when the little men drew sell-out crowds wherever they fought. It was in 1924 that Frankie made his first appearance in our city fighting a ten round draw with Howard Mayberry. In Oct. 1927, he beat another tough Canadian fighter, Benny Gould, on points at Raleigh, N.C.

Before a sell-out crowd in Toronto on Nov. 28th 1927 Frankie faced Albert 'Frenchy' Belanger with the world's title up for the winner. After the smoke of battle had cleared, Frankie found he had been judged the loser, but what a fight the two men had put on. Hardly had the year of 1928 got started then Frankie was back again banging on the door for another title fight. The two met again on Feb. 6th. After an almost exact replica of their first fight, this time it was Frankie who was the new world's champion. Genaro must have liked fighting in our city. Less than a month after winning the title, he was back again to give weight away and do battle with Jackie Johnson. After giving Johnson the fight of his life, Genaro was adjudged the loser of this fight on points. Frankie returned twice more to Toronto. In July he met Steve Rocco and at the end of ten rounds of perpetual leather slinging, the judges failed to find a winner. To everybody's delight who saw this battle of the little giants, the decision was a draw.

Frenchy Belanger was given another shot by this fighting champion on Oct. 15th, but this time, Frankie, after having previous meetings with Frenchy, came out a good points winner after ten rounds. To round out the year Genaro again faced one of the hardest punching flyweights around, the pocket sized Marciano, Rocco. This time the fight took place in Detroit on Dec. 14th 1928, and turned out to be a riot.

Feeling each other out in the first round, the two fighters really got down to business in the second when Rocco stretched Genaro on the deck. Here was the making of an upset, the house was in bedlam. Genaro beat the count and put the clutch on Rocco. In pushing Genaro off, Rocco let go a left hook to the body, down went Frankie again with the crowd screaming for a low blow. Toronto came very close that night to having its second flyweight champion but the referee saw it different and Steve lost out on a foul.

Frankie did not appear again in Toronto until June 1930 when he again put his title on the line against his old foe Belanger. Frankie had just too much for the little gamecock this time and won a points decision.

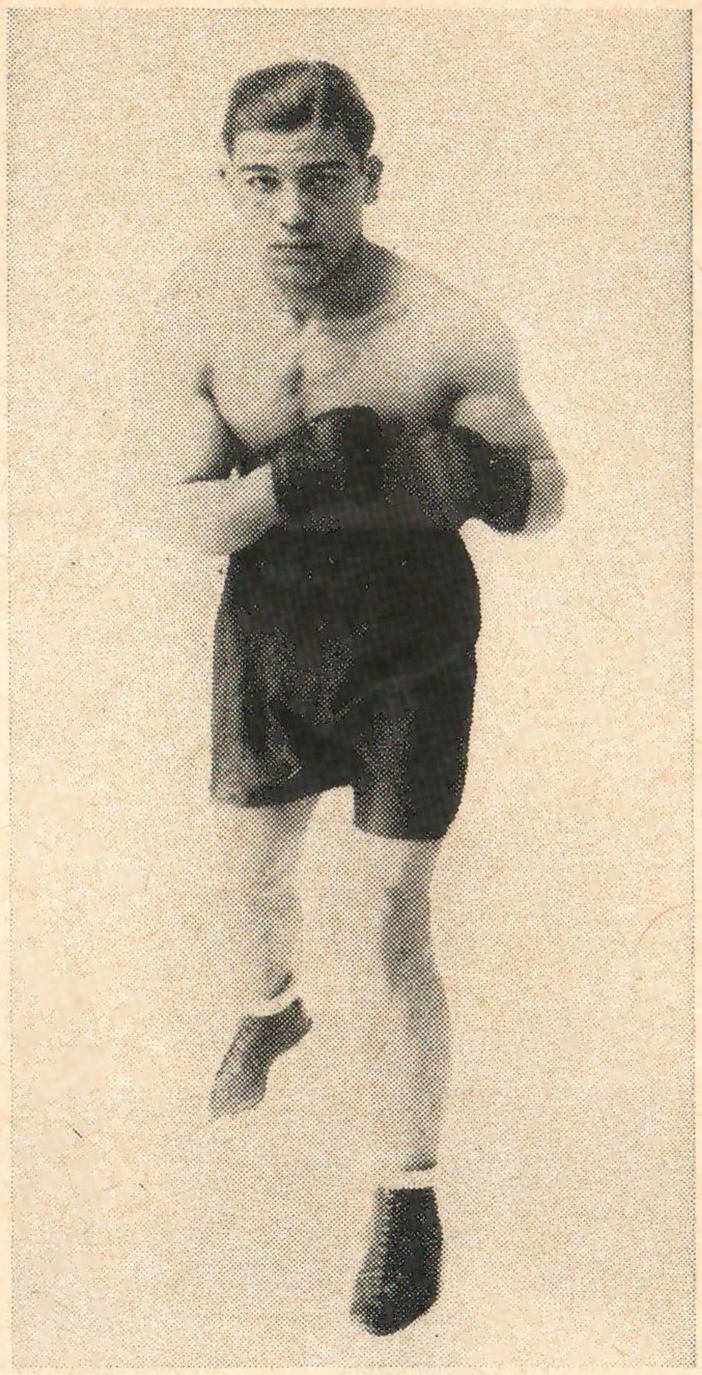
In 1928, Rocco, the pride of Toronto's West End, had himself a small war for the Canadian flyweight title against Belanger, the pride of 'Cabbagetown', as the East End of Toronto is still known. For ten action-packed rounds these mighty mites swapped punches from all angles. When the final bell rang, Rocco was the new champion. A return bout took place the following year with Frenchy turning the tables. In both fights, both of these fighters had plenty of bruises and bumps to go with their titles. Those were hungry days and the fight fans always got more than their money's worth, these little men fought their hearts out. Rocco never side-stepped any fighter, always gave his best and was a credit not only to boxing but also in business in which he took an active part in for many years after his retirement from the ring wars.

Genaro and Rocco may have been men of small stature but, in their chosen profession, these men were indeed the colossus of the hungry twenties.

▸ Canadian heavyweight champion George Chuvalo blasted out Buddy Moore of Pittsburg in two minutes of the second round at Wapole, Mass. Chuvalo who came in at 205 decked Moore three times before landing the K.O. Moore who weighed 205 had his purse money held up for a while by the Massachusetts Boxing Commission who were not too happy with his brief showing which was witnessed by about 2000 fans.

▸ **Edmonton**—Billy McGrandle Canadian Featherweight Champion stopped Les Gillis (N.S.) Canadian Jr. lightweight champion, in twelve rounds when the two met. This was a 'nothing' match between two title holders no title at stake.

▸ **Toronto**—A large crowd was on hand to witness the Amateur card put on by the Lansdowne A.C. with the results as follows. J. Roe (Lansdowne) won over J. Tuck (Sask.) three rounds at 170. Paul Kronick (Lansdowne) was stopped in 1:57 of the first round of a three round bout at 145. Igy Koffman (St. Cath.) won points over three rounds in a great fight with Bruno Mahavolich (Lansdowne) at 126. Johnny Lapadula (Toronto) had too much experience for Gary Falls (St. Cath.) won by a T.K.O. at 1:25 of the third.



THE LATE STEVE ROCCO

Both boys weighed 150. In the semi-final Bob Bozic (Lansdowne) and D. McNeil (St. Cath.) fought a spirited draw over three rounds at 160. In the final bout over five rounds Red Milne (Lansrowne) was not a popular winner over Bob McDonald (N.B.). This was a heavyweight fight and the last appearance for Milne as an amateur, he will make his first pro start here in Toronto this month.

▸ **Myrtle Beach S.C.**—About 1800 fans turned out to see Canadian Heavyweight Champ. George Chuvalo box a six round exhibition bout with Toronto heavyweight Carlo Barrazza as part of the Canadian-American Days Celebration. Chuvalo had quite a good work-out and banged Barrazza pretty good. Freddie Sullivan of Savannah, Ga. was to have been Chuvalo's opponent for this one. The reason for the change was not available.

▸ **St. Paul, Minn.**—Big Jim Beatti (St. Paul) made short work of Toronto heavyweight Carlo Barrazza who was Kayoed in two. Beattie, who weighed 238 had little opposition from Barrazza at 210 who had been the recipient of a good going over in the hands of George Chuvalo a week before in a six round exhibition.

▸ **Toronto**—Three amateur boxers from the Lansdowne A.C. were awarded trophies for their good showing at the Buffalo Golden Gloves. Red Milne who won the heavyweight class received the 'Burns' trophy. Clyde Gray who picked up the 147 pound title received the 'Gywnne' Trophy and young Bob Bozic who made the finals in the novice class received the 'Schneider Trophy. Gray and Bozic could make their places on the next Canadian Olympic team for 1968. The trophies were donated on behalf of the V.B.A. Ring #9.

▸ Plans have been made for a Welterweight match to take place in this city between Lennie Sparks, the Canadian title holder, and Colin Fraser of Toronto, with the title on the line. Fraser has wanted this match for a long time and is very confident that he can relieve Sparks of his title. One thing for sure, this will be a great fight and local fight fans will not want to miss this one.

▸ During a recent trip to Montreal it was a pleasure to meet up with Bert Schneider, the Olympic Gold Medal winner for Canada in the 1920 Games. Bert will soon be celebrating his seventieth birthday and is enjoying good health these days. Samuel Mosberg, Eddy Eagen and the late Frankie Genero from the U.S.A. were other Gold medal winners on this team and Bert re-called with great enthusiasm what great fighters these were. Both Schneider and Horace Lefty Gywnne will be honoured in the Canadian Hall of Fame this year at Montreal as part of the Canada Centennial Exhibition. Gywnne won the Gold Medal in the Bantamweight Class in the 1932 Games.

BONAVENA BY K.O. IN ARGENTINA RING
By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

Buenos Aires, Argentina—Boxing is riding a high tide in the Argentine and in other South and Central American locales.

Oscar Ringo Bonavena had an interesting ten round outing against Hubert Hilton, whom he stopped in ten. The result hardly lifted Bonavena in the ratings. But the fight drew 15,600,000 pesos. You buy 288 pesos for an American dollar.

▸ Angel Paladino undefeated lightweight stopped Ramón Luque on the doctor's orders in the fourth and undefeated junior welter Miguel Angel Campanino, won from Ovidio Gomez by TKO in the sixth.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—Uruguay welter champion Jorge Peralta won easily over Omar Salvo in 10. The bout was at the Luna Park ring and it was a TV show.

▸ **Rio Cuarto**—In the final bout for the "Pascual Perez" belt, José Brizuela won over Osvaldo Maldonado on points in 10. They are flyweights.

▸ **Junin**—In the light class, Luis Arce kayoed Alfredo Juncos in the first round.

▸ **Córdoba** — Junior middleweight Jose Paredes beat Alfredo Juncos by points in 10.

▸ **Bahia Blanca**—Hector "Cacho" Mendez, welterweight, whipped Ernesto Basualdo on points in 10.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In the Luna Park ring in a return-bout, Argentine welter champion Ramón La Cruz won from Langston C. Morgan on points in 10.

▸ **Venado Tuerto**—In the feather division, Santiago Joseff won over Alcides Alcoba on points in 10.

▸ **Córdoba**—Lightweight Ricardo Gonzalez kayoed Aldo Sosa in five and middle junior José Paredes won by a K.O. over Osmar Pedrozo in the sixth.

▸ **San Juan**—Lightweight Adan Gomez defeated Félix Ramos by a TKO in eight.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In the Luna Park ring, Argentine bantam champion Miguel Angel Botta and Heleno Ferreyro, from Brasil, drew in 10.

▸ **Charata**—In the welter juniors class, Hilario Suarez and Hugo Soto drew in 10.

▸ **Rosario**—In the heavy division, local champion Alberto Benassi won from Luis Carú by a K.O. in second round. Junior welter Alfredo Undebate outpointed Antonio Vargas in the sixth.

▸ **Buenos Aires**—In the first 1967 show on TV, welter Abel Cachazú won on points in 10 from Tito Marshall, Panama.

▸ **San Francisco (Córdoba)** — Bantam Marcial Franco and Luis Romo drew in 10.

▸ **Rafaela**—Feather Rafael "Chita" Benitez won from Santiago Barzola on points in 10.

▸ **Córdoba**—In the middle junior class, Antonio Lima, undefeated, won from Luis Figueredo in 10.

▸ **Bahia Blanca**—Local feather champion Juan C. Obregón and Antonio Burgos drew in 10.

▸ **Tucuman**—Lightweights Juan A. Aranda and Cirilo Pausa drew in 10.

▸ **Mendoza**—Argentine and South American champion Junior welter, Nicolino Loche won over Ubaldino Escobar in 10. Escobar was on the canvas twice.

▸ **Santa Rosa**—Undefeated flyweight Ibrahin Alvarez outpointed Guido Roger in 6; Junior welter Luis Horacio "Golepa" Cabral won by a T.K.O. from Abelardo Villalobos in fourth.

▸ **Temperley**—Roberto Amaya, welter, won by a TKO in 5 rounds over Matias Colque.

▸ **Bahia Blanca**—Local welterweight champion Héctor Mendez won by a TKO in the sixth over Ovidio Bravo.

▸ **Santa Rosa**—Tito Del Barco, welter, whipped Miguel Angel Castellini in 10.

▸ **San Nicolás**—Undefeated lightheavy Avenamar Peralta, won over Antonio Magaldi by a disqualification in eight.

▸ **Concordia** — Undefeated junior middleweight José Chirino won over Nelson Valdez by a TKO in second round.

▸ **Tandil**—In a light class bout, Hugo Hidalgo outpointed Eugenio Lázzari in 10 rounds and Raúl Sagreras, a feather, whipped Raúl Castillo in 10.

▸ **Mar del Plata**—Argentine welter champion Ramón La Cruz won on points L. C. Morgan ,from EE. UU., in 10.

▸ **Santa Fé**—Argentine middleweight champion Carlos Monzón won over Osvaldo Mariño by a T.K.O. in the seventh round.

▸ **Tucumán**—In the welter class, Juan C. Velardez and Oscar Barzola drew in 10.

▸ **Azul**—In a feather division bout, Armando Gigena and Antonio Burgos drew in 10.

▸ **Rio Negro**—Héctor Quijada won the local junior welter title, defeating Francisco Lamas on points in 10.

▸ **Tucuman** — Undefeated middleweight Pedro Fernandez won over Ismael Hamze on points in 10.

▸ **Mar del Plata**—Argentine middle champion Carlos Monzón kayoed Angel Coria in the sixth.

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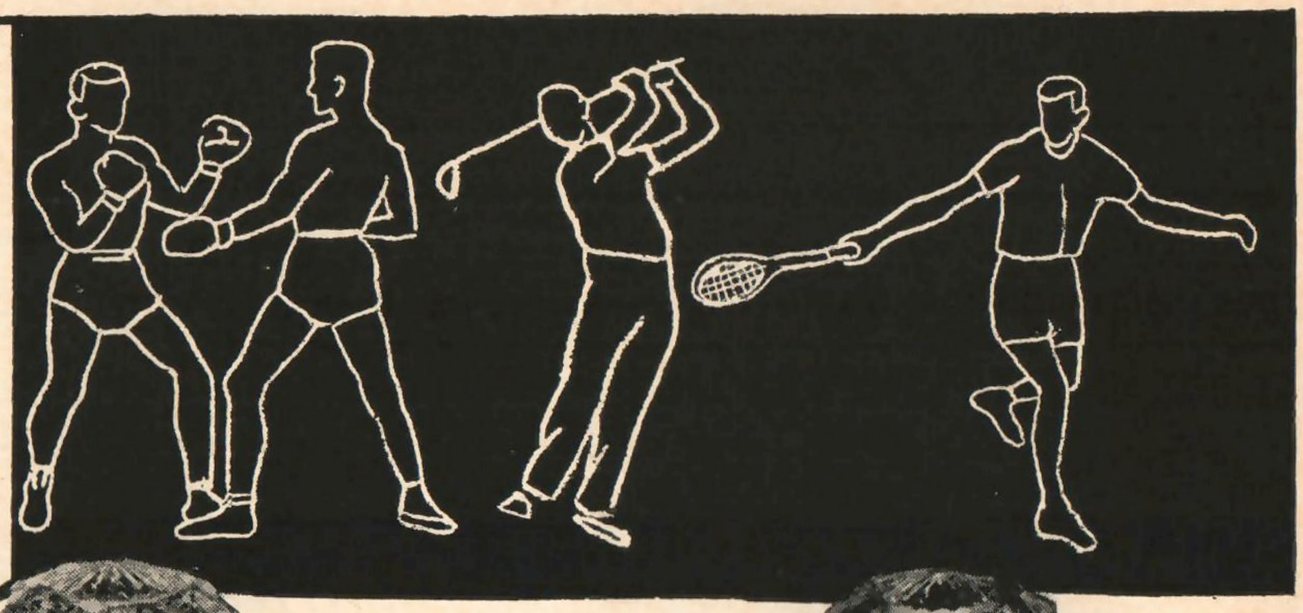

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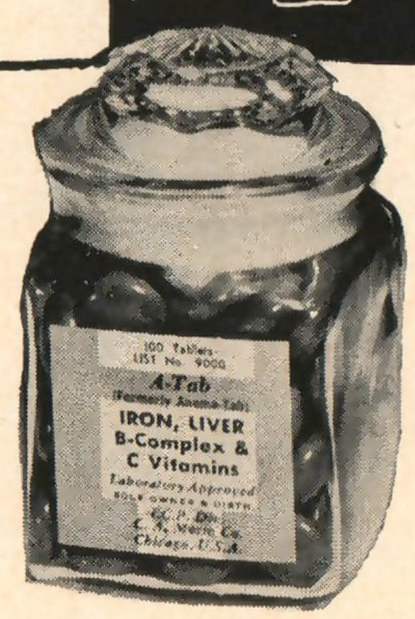

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEWS
By Ruggles Larson

PORTLAND, OREGON—Undefeated Boone Kirkman kept his record intact by scoring a ten round unanimous decision over Wayne Heath, of Oklahoma City, at Memorial Coliseum. Boone had things pretty much his own way, except in the third round.

Veteran Rueben Davilla, 155, Scio, Oregon, scored an upset in the semi-final by t.k.o.'ing Mike Tunney, 158, Portland, Ore., in the third round. Davilla presented a very elusive target for Mike to hit.

Mike Seyler, 159, Sweethome, Ore., scored a third t.k.o. over Cal Brown, 157, Preist Lake, Ida. Referee Bill Thornburg intervened because of an eye laceration. Seyler was voted the outstanding preliminary fighter of the evening.

Steve Kesey, 131, Eugene, Oregon, kayoed Denny Stenado, 140, Tacoma, Washington, in the second round. Jimmy McGowan, 149, Vancouver, B.C., t.k.o.'ed Dick Barrett, 146, Springfield, Ore., in the fourth round. Referee Leroy Durst halted the one-sided match.

The program was promoted by Harry Glickman and Harry Eagles under the Oregon Sports Attraction banner. They grossed a shade over $10,000.

▸ **At FT. LEWIS**—Tyrone Hollins, Ft. Campbell, Ky., 178, decisioned Victoria Garcia, 8th Army Korea, to capture the 1967 All-Army heavyweight crown. Dick Harley, Ft. Bragg, N.C., decisioned Wilson Gilbert, Ft. Polk, La., 165.

Arthur Phelps, Ft. Davis, Panama, decisioned Moses Gray, Ft. Campbell, Ky., 156. Ray Owens, Ft. Campbell, Ky., kayoed James Farall, Ft. Carson, Colo., 147.

Bobby Reid, Europe, decisioned Frank Castillo, 8th Army Korea, 139, Jim Wallington, Ft. Bragg, N.C., decisioned Bennie Garrett, 8th Division Europe, 132.

Luis Mendoza, Ft. Knox, Ky., decisioned Mike Taylor, Ft. Hood, Tex., 125, Cornelis Benson, Ft. Hood, Tex., t.k.o.'ed Justo Guzman, 8th Army Korea, 119.

Joe Garrett, Ft. Campbell, Ky., t.k.o.'ed Ray Chairez, Ft. Carson, Colo., and Joe Olivares, Ft. Carson, Colo., decisioned John Sheppard, 8th Division, Europe, in the 112 pound class.

▸ **Also FT. LEWIS**—The home Army Base hosted the 1967 Inter-service Boxing Championships before a capacity gathering. The Army won eight titles, U.S. Marine Corps two, and the Air Force one. The Navy was shut out. Here are the results:

106 lbs.—Joe Olivares (Army) dec. Jerry Olson (A.F.) 112 lbs.—Harlan Marbley (Army) t.k.o.'ed Chuck Logan (Navy) in the first.

119 lbs.—Rafael Mulett (USMC) dec. Joe Garret (Army), 125 lbs.—Cornelius Benson (Army) kayoed Roy DePilippis (Navy) in the second round.

132 lbs.—Bennie Garrett (Army) dec. Willie Johnson (AF). 139 lbs.—Jim Wallington (Army) dec. John Kennedy (AF).

147 lbs.—Bobby Reid (Army) dec. Joedie Harris (AF), 156 lbs.—Ray Owens (Army) t.k.o.'ed Lansing Hodge (AF) in the third.

165 lbs.—Martin Berzewski (AF) decisioned Paul Cardoza (Navy), 178 lbs.—Arthur Redden (USMC) dec. Richard Harley (Army), and Tyrone Hollins (Army) kayoed Dick Pettigrew (Navy) at 2:08 of the third round.

▸ **At SANDY, OREGON**—Gene Green, 134½, Tacoma, scored a sixth round t.k.o. over Herbie Crandle, 137, Yakima, Wash., in the main event of a mixed boxing and wrestling card.

Gil Martinez, 144, Tacoma, Wash., registered a fourth round t.k.o. over Stan Leonard of Portland, Ore., when referee Bill Donaldson intervened. Reason, a severe cut on Stan's eye lid.

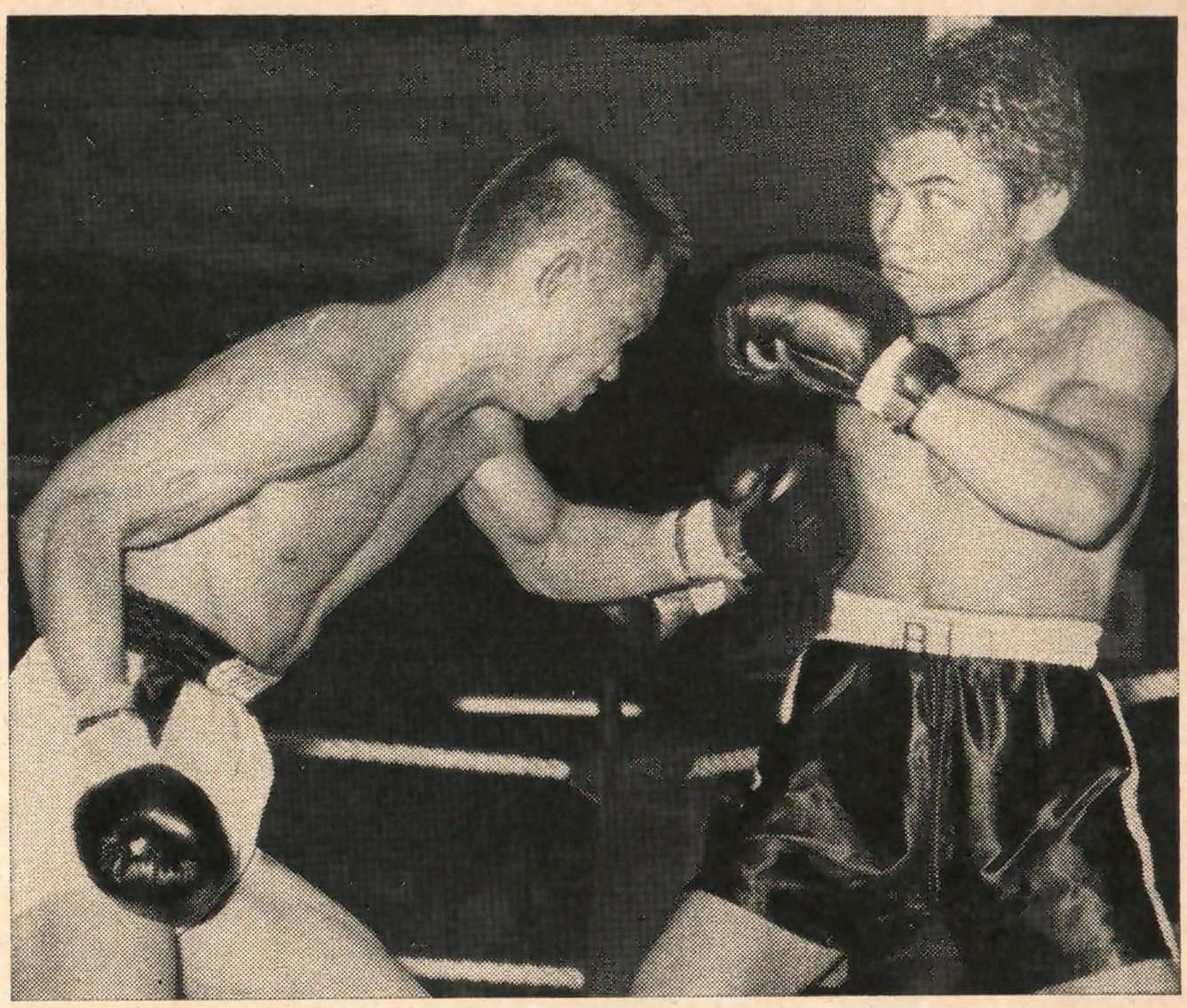
▸ Billy McGrandle, 124, Edmonton, Alberta, t.k.o.'ed Les Gillis, 125½, in the twelfth round for the Canadian Featherweight title at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Seattle's perrenial 175 pound contender, Eddie Cotton, t.k.o.'ed Bobby Stininato in the ninth round at Auckland, New Zealand.

BOXING IN ECUADOR
By Bruno Stornaiolo

GUAYAQUIL—Napoleón Gamboa, lightweight, decisioned Armando Torres, Perú, in 6 rounds. Panamenian Lepoldo Campbell, junior-lightweight, won by a K.O. in the first round over Colombian Jesús "Chico" Gonzales.

Jaime "Chico de Oro" Valladares, 131, decisioned Julio "Chicha Fuerte" Ruiz, 131, Panama, in 10 rounds. Ecuadorian featherweight champion Miguel Herrera, 125, lost a decision in 10 rounds to Panamenian Luis Patiño, 125.

10,000 people were in the beautiful new Coliseum to see the program.



World flyweight king Chartchai Chionoi (left) lands a left to the midsection of Filipino southpaw Baby Lorona during their ten-round non-title go at Bangkok, Thailand. Chartchai received a unanimous decision.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHARES IN STATE'S BOXING SURGE
By Bill Newman and Joe Herman

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.— Boxing gates are on the upswing all over California, with $50,000 gates not unusual. In recent months Los Angeles has had gates exceeding $100,000.

The recent heavyweight defeat of Brian London by Jerry Quarry did $60,000. The Eddie Machen-Quarry bout drew $50,000 at the Olympic. The Joe Frazier-Machen bout did a gross of $61,000.

The lighter divisions are also big attractions. Armando Ramos has drawn some tremendous houses in recent months. Armando vs. Pete Gonzalez did $30,000 and his bout against Ramon Echavarria landed $26,910, both at Olympic.

The coming lightweight title fight between Vicente Saldivar and Raul Rojas is almost certain to do over $150,000.

In the northern part of the state promoters are getting rich. Two recent bouts in the new Oakland Coliseum drew over $80,000—Andy Heilman vs. Jimmy Lester, $45,000; Heilman vs. Nate Collins, $34,500; Charley Shipes vs. Perry Manning, $12,000. Shipes and Lester drew $13,000 in Oakland.

Henry Clark, State heavyweight champion has won four bouts in 1967. Clark drew $6,800 with Fred McMurray, $14,000 with Fred Lewis, $11,000 against Eddie Machen and $3,500 with Steve Grant, in Oakland.

In Stockton, 78 miles from San Francisco, Mario Spampinato, promoter and matchmaker for the National Boxing Club in his initial show between Tony Montano and Jimmy Lester did $4,500.

Nate Collins, San Francisco middleweight, has been matched with Carl Morris, conquerer of Jimmy Lester, at the Cow Palace.

Harold Dutra is San Francisco's newest heavyweight prospect. In making his pro debut he scored a one round knockout over Bob Pendleton.

Warren Cabral, manager of Lovell Franklin, newly crowned State lightweight champion, says: "Franklin is ready to defend his title against any logical contender, notably Armando Ramos."

Bob Stintinato, State light heavyweight champion, in training under Bob Caparell and Ed Solomon, is ready for action.

The 1967 National A.A.U. tournament in San Diego saw California's team do extra well, winning three championships and the team trophy. Benny Gerolega, of Stockton, won 106 lb. class; Kim Booker, Oakland, won 147 lb.; and Arthur Davis, Hamilton Air Force Base, won the BEST BOXER OF THE TOURNAMENT AWARD.

CHIONOI BEATS LORONA IN OVERWEIGHT MATCH
By Ravi Lothong

Bangkok, Thailand—World flyweight champion Chartchai Chionoi won a unanimous decision over former flyweight title holder of the Philippines, southpaw Baby Lorona, in a 10 round non-title contest before 9000 at Lumphini Stadium. The champion scaled 116, to 118 for Lorona.

On the same card Rudy Somodio, 114, 20 years old Filipino, won a lopsided victory over Patjai Srichantopas, 112, and Singpetch Sithsrimonkol, 125, stopped Baby Castro, 125, of the Philippines in the third of a 10 rounder.

In the Rajdamnern Stadium, Pirom Singyodfa, 112, promising flyweight, lost a close decision to Saknoi S. Kosin, 113, in a keen contest.

Chaithong Sing-Chuaplering, 114, won a one-sided contest from Veraphan Komolsen, 114.

SAN FRANCISCO NOTES
By Freddy Cohen

Mario Spampinato top matchmaker of Northern Calif., came up with the best boxing show of the year when he presented the Jimmie Lester-Tony Montano middleweight brawl at Kezar, the show did $5,000.

Lester came up with his usual slam-bang performance, stopping the game Montano in the 7th with a solid right to the body and a left hook to the head.

Freddie Roots, who has made many good fights in the bay area, is back in the win column with a K.O. over Poasi Tuiono in the supporting ten rounder, the bout was stopped in the 6th round.

Harold Dutra, in his pro debut, won with a sensational opening round kayo over Larry Pendleton, Dutra, is a promising prospect.

Joe Herman, popular manager of Henry Clark, State Heavyweight Champion, is in line for some important fights. After scoring a lopsided win over Eddie Machen in Sacramento, Herman has received offers from all over the world for his 22 year old crowd pleasing youngster.

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RING-DINGS

By ABE HOCHHEISER

DR. MAX N. NOVICH, orthopedic surgeon and college boxer of Newark, N.J., who is on the Medical Advisory Board of the National Veteran Boxers Association, managed Jack Palance, now a movie actor, who fought under the name of Jack Brazell. . . . Izzy Grove, who fought Gorilla Jones and Vince Dundee, is representing the "Monkees" rock 'n' roll TV show. . . . Angelo Palange, broadcasting partner of Sam Taub's during the 30's, owns a bowling alley at Ozone Park, L.I., N.Y. . . . "History of Jewish Boxers," is being written by Hank Kaplan, Miami "Ring" correspondent. . . . He has listed 4,000 names.

Al King, manager of Johnny Dell, featherweight of the 40's, who fought Phil Terranova, Willie Pep, Chalky Wright and Lulu Costantino, is starting weekly shows at Jacksonville Beach, Fla. . . . Joe Leonard, who fought Billy DeFoe, Frankie Burns and "Little" Jack Sharkey, is training fighters for veteran manager Bobby North. . . . Joey Varoff is with the Washington, D.C. Fire Department and Sid Haber is owner of a photo offset business.

Ray Wiseman, welterweight of the 30's and 40's, once managed by Vinny Cerola, former Tournament of Champions matchmaker, is sales manager for a Columbus, Neb. electronics corporation. . . . Joseph Nocera, who fought as a lightweight during the roaring 20's under the ring name of Jackie Mason, and who doubled in fight scenes for James Cagney in the motion picture "Ringside", filmed in 1928, is owner of the Villa Nova Restaurant at Columbus, Ga., two coffee houses, and an 880 acre cattle-ranch at nearby Phoenix City, Alabama.

Woody Green, lightweight of the 50's from Indianapolis, is a Petty Officer second class in the U.S. Navy stationed at Da Nang, Vietnam, with a Seabee Battalion.

Former pro lightweight of the 30's Izzy Zerling is seeking a sponsor, or builder to help erect a new building for the Youth Center which has been named after him. Barry Gottehrer, assistant to New York City Mayor Lindsay, has promised Zerling land space for this Youth Project, which will aid in the education and physical fitness of the youngsters living on New York's Lower East Side.

All inquiries or contributions can be sent to the "Izzy Zerling Youth Recreation Center", 173 Henry Street, New York, N.Y. . . . Former International Boxing Club matchmaker Billy Brown is owner of "Brown's Theatre Ticket Agency" with offices at the Abbey Victoria Hotel, Essex House, Penn Garden Hotel, all New York, N.Y. . . . Al Braverman, "Boxing's Public Relation's Director" announces the re-opening of three boxing clubs.—Boston Garden (co-promoters Joe Martin and Nick Abrahams); Washington Uline Arena (Paul Woodard promoter and Angelo Pucci matchmaker); Scranton Catholic Youth Center, Pennsylvania (Gordon Dempsey Promoter). . . . Nat Lehrer, who started Herbie Kronowitz, ex-middleweight who is now a referee, when he was 14 years old, is a member of VBA Ring #8. Lehrer boxed under the name of Nat Lewis during the 30's. . . .

Meyer Chimsky and Jack Dempsey display photo-plaque titled "Meyer Chimsky salutes the makers of ring history." This one, honoring the Dempsey-Willard fight, will be enshrined in the Dempsey Museum at Manassa, Colorado.

Marcus Anderson, 19-year-old promising lightweight, unbeaten in 6 pro bouts, is under the management of Joe Martin, Kentucky "Ring" Mag Correspondent. . . . Long Island Press Sports Editor-Columnist Mike Lee gave this reporter a nice write-up in his column upon the debut of this "Ring-Ding" Column. . . . Hats off to Pete Montesi, former boxer-promoter-matchmaker and double amputee hero of World War II. Pete tells me he's very proud of the news that his son, Robert Peter Montesi, who enlisted in the Marines for four years, was just promoted to Corporal. He is attached to the Marine Engineers and stationed in Chu Lai, Vietnam.

SOUTH AFRICAN SCENE
By Simon Brooke

Bloemfontein—Steve Khotle, 110, won the South African flyweight crown when he stopped Lucas Matseke, 103, in the eleventh round. The affair was a bloody, well contested one. It was one of the best matches seen in some time.

South Africa's leading promoter has signed lightweight champion Carlos Ortiz and Willie Ludick, the South African welter king for a 15 round bout for June. Ludick may also go to America and fight Curtis Cokes for the world welter crown.

Port Elizabeth—Tragedy marred the contest between bantamweight Anthony Sithale and Young Clay when Clay, stopped in the sixth round, was knocked unconscious and died four days later.

BADGER BOXING NEWS
By Pete Ehrmann

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Boxing in Wisconsin has taken a short rest after the National Golden Gloves Tournament of Champions.

Milwaukee middleweight Vidal Flores won on a T.K.O. over Bob (Red) Reilly on the Ron Marsh-Eddie Vick heavyweight card in Moline, Illinois. The bout was stopped in the fifth round.

Karl Zurheide, formerly of Fond du Lac, Wis., and now Texas State Light heavyweight champion won a decision over Benny Bowser in Beaumont, Texas. Karl was dropped twice in round one, but came back to cop the duke. It was Zurheide's fifteenth win against one loss.

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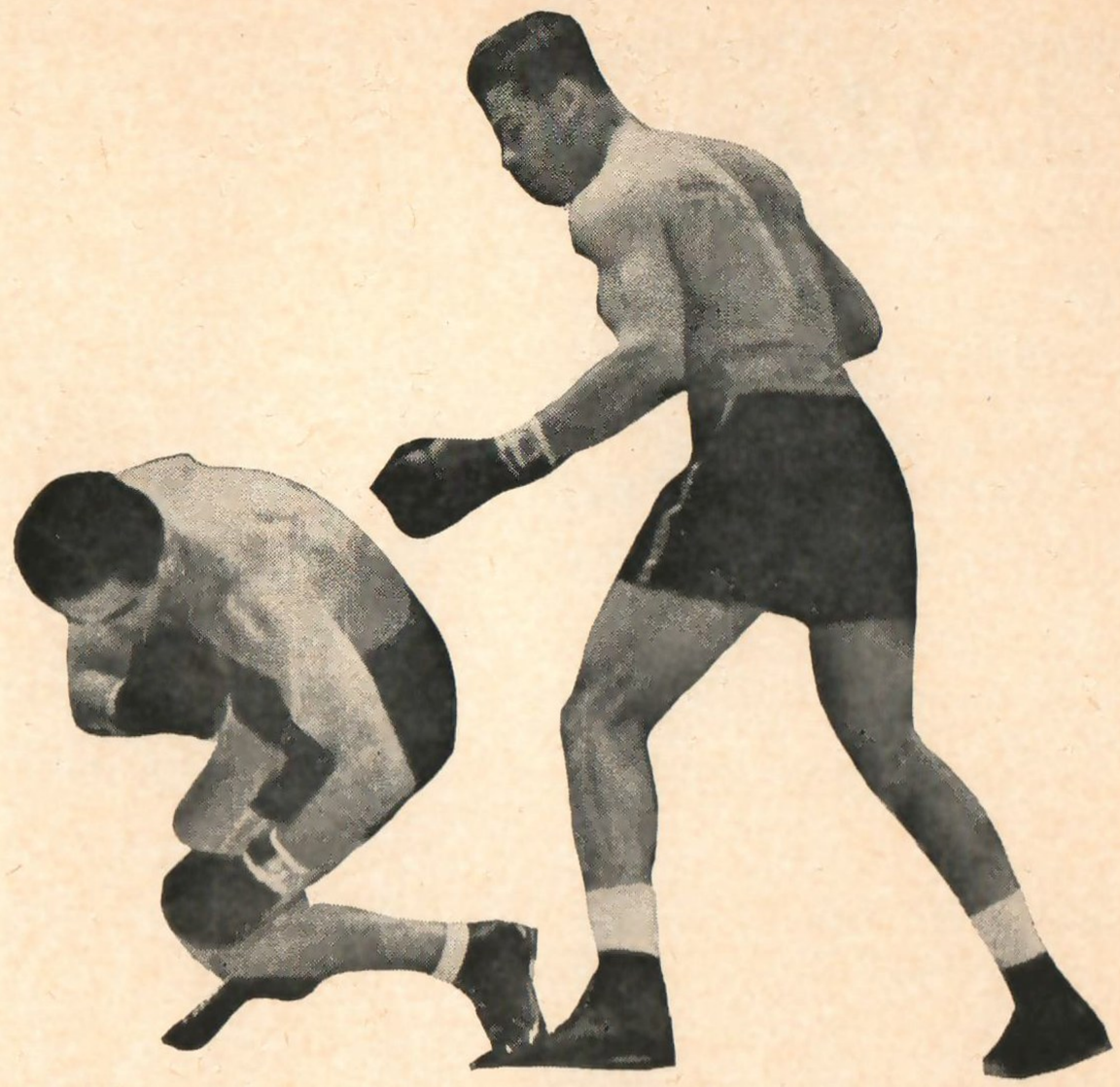

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BOXING IN THE REPUBLIC OF MEXICO

By Eduardo Amer G.

CORDOBA, VERACRUZ — Rafael "Fallo" Altamirano, 127, won the decision over David Vazquez, 132, in ten rounds. Manuel Radilla, 124, kayoed Enrique Torres, 125, in the fifth. Alex Chavez iced Rodolfo Peñuela in the opening round. Gonzalo Espejo beat Eduardo Rivera in 4. Luis Lopez stopped Apolo Marin in one.

▸ **GOMEZ PALACIO, DURANGO**—Jose Valenzuela, 139, put Mauro Martinez, 138, to sleep in five. Maclovio Medina, 121, bested Memin Rangel, 119, in ten.

▸ **CORDOBA, VERACRUZ**—Luis "Zurdito" Vargas, 114, outpointed Genaro "Japonés" Garcia, 113, in ten. Jose Luis Morales knocked out Manuel Quiroz in two.

Adan Sanchez stopped Memo Ayala in three. Leon Rodriguez nailed Jose Gonzalez in 2.

▸ **CAMPECHE, CAMPECHE** — Carlos Navarrete (Zurdo Aparecido), 126, halted Salve Ortiz, 130, in the fourth round.

▸ **SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, SONORA**—Raul Soriano, 138, won by a disqualification from Thurman Durdeen, 139, in three. Julio Guerrero, 114, TKO'd Jesus Chavez, 117, in five.

▸ **MOTUL, YUCATAN**—Chueco Mendez, 115, outpointed Pulguita Herrera, 116, in six.

▸ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS**—"Gavilan" Espinosa, 125, technically kayoed Santiago Jimenez, 124, in eight. Relampago Zarate, 113, beat Pajarito Ruiz, 112, of Yucatan, in ten.

▸ **QUERETARO, QUERETARO**—Elias Vargas, 125, TKO'd Jimmy Velazco, 126, in the second round.

▸ **MERIDA, YUCATAN**—Cristobal "Zorrito" Trejo, 121, easily outpointed Jorge Berzunza, 117, in ten. Rach Camara, 116, won from Julio "Ringo" Romero, 114, in ten rounds. Joe de la Rosa, 128, lost to Joe Camargo, 129, in eight.

Jose Fabian, 115, lost to Eulogio Rosado (Kid Coyote), 114, in six. Pancho Gonzalez, 118, tko'd Joe Albornoz, 118, in the first round.

▸ **GOMEZ PALACIO, DURANGO**—Julio César Segura, 117, technically stopped Chucho Hernandez, 114 (not the former Mexican flyweight king), in the second heat.

▸ **PROGRESO, YUCATAN** — Juan Peralta, 115, bested Charrito Lopez, 121, in eight. Pepe el Toro, 115, polished off Kid Arjona, 117, in 2.

▸ **REYNOSA, TAMAULIPAS**—Luis "Zorrita" Gonzalez, 113, outboxed Daniel Gutierrez, 114, in ten. Oscar Rivas, 113, embalmed Pichon Reyes, 114, in nine. Jose "Pollo" Gabiño, 138, stopped "Lechero" Gonzalez, 134, in seven.

▸ **CIUDAD MANTE, TAMAULIPAS**—"Coco" Garcia, 129, iced Negro Flores, 134, in the first round.

▸ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS**—Pablo "Zurdo" Montoya, 125, tkod Pablo Reyes, 124, in five. Chucho Garcia, 113, technically kayoed Elias "Mudo" Oliva, 115, in seven.

▸ **MATAMOROS, TAMAULIPAS**—Santos Sandoval, 124, whipped Manuel Flores, 122, in 10. Carlos Hernandez, 125, won by a disqualification from Ramon Reyes, 124, in three.

▸ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS** — Alejandro "Alex" Baena, 119, won by a technical knockout over Gilberto "Alacran" Mendez, 120, in the tenth and last round.

▸ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON**—Chucho Garcia, 137, surprised the gang when he outpointed Raul Rodriguez, 137, Mexican lightweight champ, in ten rounds. Damaso Garcia, 124, beat Martin Martinez, 125, in 10.

▸ **CAMPECHE, CAMPECHE**—Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 112, clearly outpointed Piteco Alvarez, 114, in ten. Jose Larrocha, 129, stopped Negro Vazquez, 130, in six.

▸ **CUERNAVACA, MORELOS**—Joaquin "Chaparro" Reyes, 118, won over Francisco "Sugar" Pino, 118, in ten. Arturo Merlos, 133, TKO'd Mario Olmedo, 135, in eight. Antonio Pino and Esteban Valladares drew in 8.

TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS—Ricardo Manzanillo, 124, won by a technical decision over "Lobito" Diaz, 121, in seven.

Zorrita Ramirez, 122, tko'd Chucho Contreras, 119, in three. Gaby Perez, 112, bested Cuervito Ramos, 111, in eight.

▸ **CUAUTLA, MORELOS**—Chucho Castañeda, 125, TKO'd Rosendo Balcazar, 132, in three.

▸ **SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, SONORA**—Rafael Gutierrez, 151, Mexican middleweight champion, stopped Eddie McGruder, 151, in six. Ignacio "Zurdo" Piña, 126, decisioned Cuervo Hernandez, 125, in ten.

▸ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS**—Manuel Avendaño, 115, outscored Kid Gavilan, 120, in ten. Fidel Cabrera, 111, bested Chiquis Fernandez, 111, in ten.

▸ **GOMEZ PALACIO, DURANGO** — Paco Pizaña, 120, halted Panchito Hernandez, 124, in 2. Calabrote Guerrero, 187, nailed Tobby Espinosa, 181, in two.

▸ **MATAMOROS, TAMAULIPAS**—Octavio "Famoso" Gomez, 113, obtained a clean cut decision over Ramiro Garcia, 113, in ten. Clemente "Didi" Muciño, 126, stopped Carlos Hernandez, 125, in five.

▸ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS**—Chucho Montoya, 114, halted Juan (Kid) Sanchez, 115, in two heats. Jesus Mora, 120, decisioned Zurdo Ramos, 121, in 10.

▸ **AGUASCALIENTES, AGUASCALIENTES**—Gabriel "Halcon" Ruiz, 118, lost to Arturo "Chocolate" Zambrano, 117, in ten. Ramon Corona, 124, defeated Victor Garcia, 125, in 10.

▸ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS**—Jorge Quiroz, beat Battling Comiteco, 111, in ten.

▸ **PROGRESO, YUCATAN**—Mike Heman, 116, and Chamaco Cetina, 113, drew in six good rounds.

▸ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON**—Pablo "Zurdo" Montoya, 125, decisioned Hector Esqueda, 127, in ten. Juan Rodriguez stopped Ismael Moreno in four.

▸ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS** — Apolonio Reyna, 120, won over Rovky Garcia, 122, in 10. Jose Hernandez, 130, nailed Guillermo Guerrero, 127, in four.

▸ **LA PAZ, BAJA CALIFORNIA**—Chamaco Castillo, 111, triumphed by a decision from Berrinches Ramos, 112, in ten. Chichi Ontiveros, 125, iced Manuel Bastidas, 124, in the opening round.

▸ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS** — Gualberto Moran, 118, TKO'd Joaquin "Chaparro" Hereida, 117, in six. Genaro "Japones" Garcia, 115, tko'd Alejandro Baena, 118, in four.

▸ **LEON, GUANAJUATO** — Tony Lugo, 124, and Rafael Macias, 125, drew in ten rounds.

▸ **MERIDA, YUCATAN**—Genaro Gaytan, 126, technically kayoed Silverio "Chamaco" Ortiz, 125, in nine rounds. Chocolate Ramos, 139, beat Jose Larrocha, 131, in ten.

Manolo Jimenez, 122, won an unpopular decision from Mike Heman, 118, in six. Baby Ricalde, 126, bested Baby Boy, 127, in six.

▸ **TAMPICO, TAMAULIPAS**—Aurelio Muñiz, 125, received an unpopular decision from Dfight Hawkins, 125, in ten rounds. The crowd protested the verdict.

Lorenzo "Halimi" Gutierrez, 113, won as he pleased from Armando Villa, 114, in ten fast rounds. Adolfo "Mosco" Hernandez, 154, tko'd Carlos "Calucas" Rios, 148, in seven heats.

▸ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS**—Chucho Garcia, 113, decisioned Pedro Rodriguez, 114, in ten. Pedro Sanchez, 119, TKO'd Jeronimo "Gallito" Cisneros, 121, in four.

▸ **PROGRESO, YUCATAN** — Luis Rodriguez (Kid Superman), 122, won over Kid Tribilin (Jose A. Canul), 121, in six. Juan Arsenio "Raton" Pacheco, 121, stopped Panterita Casanova, 122, in three.

▸ **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON**—Julio Cesar Segura, 117, won the ten-round decision from Roberto SanMartin, 117. Damaso Gutierrez, 125, stopped Lupe Lara, 126, in three.

▸ **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS**—Enrique Garces, 150, halted Ruben Narvaez, 149, in five. Beto Castillo lost to Martin Flores in ten.

▸ **POZA RICA, VERACRUZ** — Fermin "Gallego" Gomez, 113, embalmed "Pichon" Reyes, 113, in only two heats. Pedro Martinez, 125, TKO'd Lino Kid, 128, in eight.

▸ **TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, CHIAPAS**—"Pajarito" Ruiz, 112, of Yucatan, bested Coreano Fuentes, 114, in ten. Jorge "Canguro" Quiroz, 112, beat Battling Comiteco, 111, in 10. Gitano Ruiz, 111, defeated Gaby Perez, 112, in ten.

▸ **MERIDA, YUCATAN**—Carlos Navarrete, 125, and Cristobal "Zorrito" Trejo, 122, drew in ten. Julio "Ringo" Romero, 113, outboxed Rach Camara, 115, in ten good rounds.

Luis Calderon, 132, whipped Wenceslao "Zurdo" Sanchez, 128, in 10. Juan Arsenio "Raton" Pacheco, 120, won from Baby Valdez, 118, in six.

COMPETITION IN COLOMBIA

By Oscar Vergara Ramos

Cartagena, Colombia—Mario Rositto, 143, junior welterweight champ, and Rodrigo Valdes, 144, prospect, drew in 10. Both are Colombians.

The semi-final saw Heliodoro Pitalua, 125, lose to Antonio Cervantes ("Kid Pambele), 124, in 8.

Manuel Cardales, 135, outpointed Felipe Díaz, 132, in 6, and Alfredo Rodriguez, won by decision over Rodolfo Avila, in 4, in the preliminaries.

The Colombian Rodrigo Valdez, 140, defeated Ecuadorian Eugenio Espinoza, 142, by decision in 10.

Semi-final—Justo Valdes, Colombia, 118, won by T.K.O. over Cesar Taco, Ecuadorian, 119, in 8.

Preliminaries—Juan Rafael Aguilar, Costa Rica, 119, won by decision to Eliodoro Pitalúa, Colombia, 118, in 8.

▸ **At BOGOTA**—In a ten, Antonio "Mochila" Herrera, Colombian feather champion, won over Jorge "Cucusa" Ramos, former Argentine Champion, on points.

Semi-final—Juan Escobar, 136, stopped Miltton Mendez, 135, in 4.

Preliminaries—Featherweight Omar Bolaños, won by decision over Julio "Zurdo" Díaz, in seven, and feather Alvaro López, won over Nelson López, by a K.O. in the second round.

RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY

By Selsso Tiborro

Mexico City, Mexico—There have been many fights in this area in recent weeks, but you will scan the results in vain if you seek important international developments.

It would appear that in this section there are no TKO decisions, no stoppages for cut eyes. There are hard fights and demanding fans and referees. Here are the results grouped by shows:

German Bastidas, 119, decisioned Memo Tellez, 119, in 10. Mariano Morales, 126, decisioned Crescencio Mendez, 125, in 10. Raul Delgado, 147, stopped Carlos Vargas, 146, in 1. Fernando Garcia, 126, decisioned Francisco Arenas, 126, in 6.

▸ Pepe Mota, 119, stopped Miguel Flores, 119, in the tenth and last round. Chaparro Reyes, 127, stopped Joaquin Velazquez, 131, in 4. Ezequiel Martinez, 119, stopped Roberto Vazquez, 117, in 6. Placido Avila, 126, decisioned Pedro Correa, 127, in 6. Blas Arellano, 112, stopped Ramon Gomez, III, in 2.

▸ Miguel Castro, 118, stopped Eugenio Hurtado, 116, from Panama, in 2. Raynundo Bolaños, 147, decisioned Jorge Jimenez, 146, in 10. Clemente Muciño, 126, stopped Jose Antonio Lopez, 126, in 2. Jesus Gonzalez, 135, stopped Enrique Gomez, 134, in 4.

▸ Hipolito Hernandez, 126, stopped Raymundo Chino Vera, 126, in the tenth and last round. Eduardo Alvarado, 112, outpointed Marcelino Luna, 109, in 10. Pedro Dominguez, 126, stopped Cele Chavez, 126, in the eighth and last round. Fidel Correa, 135, stopped Raymunde Rodriguez, 134, in 6. Froylan Maldonado, 118, stopped Sabas Fuentes, 118, in 1.

▸ Javier Mongol Noguez, 126, outpointed Manuel Galvez, 125, in 10. Ricardo Arredondo, 117, decisioned Pedro Torres, 115, in 8. Jenaro Romero, 118, decisioned Jeronimo Indio Cisneros, 118, in 6. Luis Flores, 126, stopped Simon Peralta, 126, in 4.

▸ Marinero Celis, 135, and Charro Gomez, 135, drew in 10. Raul Martinez Mora, 118, decisioned Andres Molina, 118, in 10. Jose Luis Lopez, 118, decisioned Memo Espinosa, 117, in 8. Placido Avila, 126, decisioned Hipolito Mejia, 126, in 6.

▸ Roberto Torres, 127, stopped Ramon Camarena, 127, in 8. Rolando Hernandez, 134, decisioned Agustin Chavez, 135, in 8. Pedro Arredonde, 134, stopped Arturo Cazares, 132, in 6. Augusto Angeles, 118, stopped Juan Alcantara, 117, in 2. Martin Ponce, 127, stopped Edilberto Hernandez, 125, in 1.

▸ Jose Luis Martinez, 124, outpointed Mauro Trejo, 125, in 10. Rafael Resendiz, 115, stopped Martiniano Ruiz, 118, in 2. Jorge Reyes, 111, decisioned Enrique Sanchez, 109, in 6. Jose Luis Hernandez, 132, stopped Alfredo Sotelo, 133, 4.

ROUSE, HEADED FOR TITLE SHOT, GOES FULL TEN WITH HANK

By Harold Manning

Missoula, Mont.—The New York Commission has ruled that the winner of the Tiger-Torres fight must meet Roger Rouse within 90 days. Thus Rouse has been assured of a title shot in the light heavy weight class.

On his way to the championship battle, Rouse stopped long enough before 7,200 fans here, a $34,000 house, to outpoint the aged Henry Hank.

Rouse could not knock Hank off his pins. Roger won by these referee-judges scores; 100 to 93; 99-94; and 99-93. But the title contender did himself no good with the victory over a worn campaigner of 14 years experience who not so long ago was said to have retired.

Henry tried every wile and ring trick learned in his long years of ring warfare. But it was to no avail as Roger boxed and continually circled Hank to keep off balance and minimize his heavy punching.

There were no knockdowns. Hank went down in the third, but George Chuvalo, who did a fine job as referee, ruled it a slip.

Rouse built a large lead in the early rounds with a fast jab and snappy left hooks, as he was unable to land very many right hands on the bobbing, weaving Hank.

I called the seventh round even and gave the ninth and tenth to Hank as Rouse coasted.

Roger has won thirteen fights in a row. He appeared drawn at 173½. Hank weighed in at 182 lbs.

In the 8-round semi-windup, Mike Gross, 163 lbs., Missoula, scored over Billy Brigham, 164 lbs., Little Rock.

Joe Hopkins, 174 lbs., Salt Lake City, beat Erwin Thatch, 162 lbs., Denver, by a T.K.O. in round four.

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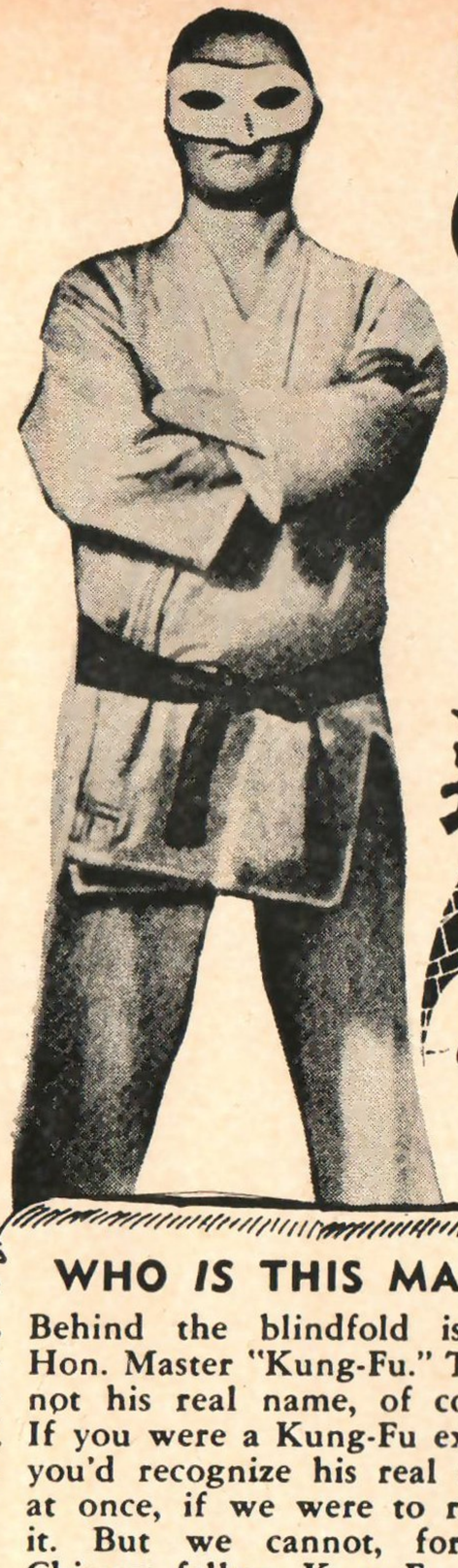

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ALONG THE VBA TRAIL
By Jack Larkin

200 ex-boxers and friends attended the 1st annual installation and dance held by Ring #31 of South Florida VBA, at the Algiers Hotel in Miami Beach. Natl President Jack Larkin, was the principal speaker. The installation officers were Judge Francis X. Knock. Benediction was given by the Right Rev. V. V. Gleason. The M.C. was Harry Levy.

Installed were, James Gil Strong, Pres., Sam Biller, 1st V.P.; Benny Nabors, 2nd V.P.; Jackie Grover, 3rd V.P.; Mario Castricone, Sec. Treas.; Jerry and Billy White, Sgt-At-Arms, and Hank Kaplan, Chairman of the Board of Directors. Chairman of the affair was Danny Danto, assisted by Mario Castricone, Harry Levy, Neil Labin, Jack Pilkington, and Harry Schoff.

Baron Pate, veteran boxing manager will promote boxing in Costa Rica for Bill Pollard, who makes his home in Costa Rica now.

Tony Ventura, is the best looking prospect training in Chris Dundee's 5th street gym in Miami Beach, Tony has had 3 pro bouts and three wins. He hails from Lockport, N. Y.

Izzy Kline, trainer of many top-notch boxers in the last quarter century, has obtained a brokers license and is in the real estate business in Miami Beach.

Bob McAllister, veteran boxer who fought such greats as Jack Dempsey, Gunboat Smith, Mike Gibbons, and many others too numerous to mention passed away in Calif. He was with the Calif. Boxing Commission for the last 23 years.

Doc Cosly veteran boxing promoter and trainer, passed away recently. He was from Hollywood, Calif.

Mrs. Carroll Van Court, whose husband promoted boxing in Hollywood, is selling a book on boxing. This book supposedly had taught the likes of Jim Jeffries, Jim Corbett, Jimmy Britt, Frankie Neil, and Abe Attell. It sells for 75 cents a copy. Her address is 316½ W. 48th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Joe Ferry, veteran boxing manager who went West a decade ago, is the boxing instructor at the Hollywood YMCA. He teaches youngsters as well as business men.

Billy Maxwell, V.B. of Philadelphia Ring #1, was appointed a Goodwill Ambassador. Chris Dundee, was appointed as one of the state representatives for Florida.

This writer was made an honorary life member of Ring #39 of South Africa, Vic Toweel, was the first, Jack Dempsey, second and this writer the 3rd. Ring #39 has now over 100 members and is growing fast.

Benny Forbes, who boxed under the name of Benny Block, and fought the best bantamweights around N. J. and N. Y. in the 20's, has been living in Miami, Fla., for 25 years and is in the linoleum business in that city. Block fought such boys as Joey Biss, Jimmy Stone, Tiny Trinkle, and Charlie Blood.

Georgie Mandot predicts that Ron March of Kansas City, Mo., will be the next heavyweight champion of the world. He has won 8 bouts in a row. He weighs 190 lbs. and is six feet tall.

At the dinner of Ring #31, in Miami Beach, Mandot met Mike Mazie, an old foe for the first time in 54 years. They fought in the Old Fairmont A.C. in 1913. Mandot is a daily visitor at Chris Dundee's Gym and gives many of the boys there boxing advice.

Mario Castricone, formerly of Bellaire, Ohio, now living in Miami, Fla., is the secretary of Ring #31, Miami Beach, Fla.

Others who are seen at the gym are: Bennie Levine, Tom Heeney, Dr. John M. Pizzulo, Sam Biller, Baron Pate, Billy Rayn, Billy Maxwell, Jerry & Billy White, Frankie Conaford, Jack Portnoy, Tommy Ross, Larry Kent, Marty Fuler, Sal Burnetti, Hank Kaplan and Benny Nabors.

Ed Wagonlander, Pres., of Ring #32 Detroit, Mich., is out of the hospital. Ed wants everyone to know that his Ring #32 will be one of the biggest and the best in the Nat'l Organization. Right now amateur boxing is going great in Detroit and Ring #32 has an active part in bringing boxing back to Detroit.

Sal Burnetti of Miami Beach has a very good looking prospect in Larry Atkins, who has been showing at Chris Dundee's Miami Beach Auditorium.

Georgie Mandot will open up a pro boxing club in Tampa, Fla. and get many boys from Miami Beach to box there. Tommy Ross will operate in Orlando, Fla. soon.

Yama Bahama is training for a comeback at Chris Dundee's Gym and looks like his old self. Yama stays in Miami Beach for the week and then goes to Bimini for the weekends.

Mickey Genaro, former N. Y. featherweight now in Miami, works at the Gulfstream race track. Jackie Shupak, former Passaic welterweight, is working as a doorman at the Morton Towers, in Miami Beach. Benny Seamon, is ill in the Veterans Hospital in Miami.

Phil Delmont, former N. Y. welterweight, who in 1919 scored a knockout in one round over Mickey Walker, now lives in Las Vegas, Nev., and works at the Hotel Tropicana, where his son, Steven, is the purchasing agent.

Ring #9, has an amateur boxing team who will challenge any VBA club around. Get in touch with this writer. Champ Snell & Bobby Nicholas are the trainers.

Leo Houck, who died a year ago, was the brother of Johnny Houck, one of the best known World Boxing Historians. Johnny says his brother defeated three world champions. They were Georgie Chip, Mike O'Dowd, and Al McCoy. Leo had a great record while boxing in the 20's. After he retired he was head coach at Penn State. He taught Steve Hamas how to box. The Houcks, were born in Lancaster, Pa., a real boxing town.

Anyone wishing the address of old timers in the boxing game in the state of N. J., get in touch with this writer.

Chico Vejar, great little welterweight of the 50's is with the N. Y. Mutual Insurance Co. of N. Y.

Jim Harkins, Pres. of Ring #44, tells us that they drew 10,500 fans at the semi-finals of the amateur tournament. Jim says that heavyweight Jim Howard is being trained by Cus D'Amato, at Dr. Robert Gross' Health Farm in Pawling, N.Y. and will soon turn pro. Ring #44 has over 100 members.

Jim has helped form Ring #53 of Niagara Falls, N. Y. Anthony Gravanti, is the Pres. of that chapter.

Eddie Milson, chairman of the Mass. Welfare Pension Fund informs us they have a nice amount in the fund and more coming in from fights that are held in the State of Mass. Milson and Andy Martin were appointed by the city of Boston to teach boxing in high schools. Ed says that many more ex-boxers will be appointed.

Tippy Larkin, former Jr. Welterweight champion, is one of the most popular ex-champions. He is wanted everywhere to make appearances and speeches.

A meeting of Senator Alfred Kiefer, of Bergen County, N. J., with all the representatives of VBA Clubs of New Jersey, was held in April to see if Veteran Boxers of N. J. can get a Welfare Pension Fund started. Kiefer is an honorary member of Ring #9.

Gil Strong, former Newark, N. J. boxer and ex-policeman, runs Chris Dundee's 5th Street Gym in Miami Beach, Fla. Gil also is a security man at one of the local race tracks on the Beach.

Frank Stacy, former Bergen County Diamond Gloves winner in the featherweight class is out of the hospital and on the road to recovery.

Champ Snell, veteran boxer, has been working with youngsters for many years in the Passaic County area. Snell is one of the top bowlers in the East. His average is 210. He is a member of Ring #9. Passaic and Bergen Counties.

Vic Mistove, former N. Y. 160 lbs. Golden Gloves Champion who lives in Clifton, N. J. spent his vacation in Miami Beach, Fla. Vic, a member of Ring #9, is the Sgt-At-Arms.

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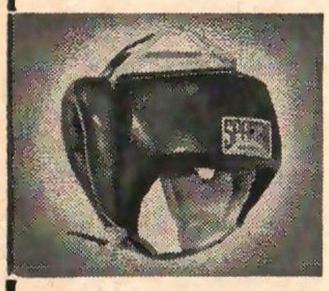

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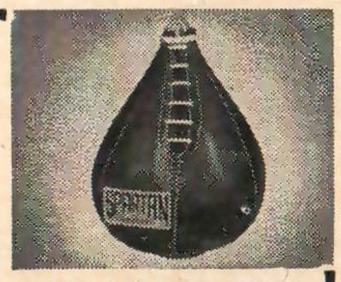

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TEXAS BOXING NEWS
By Harlan Haas

Beaumont, Tex.—Sam Chimeno continues to put on fights at the Sportatorium with success. Sam has hit a winner in a city that lay dormant for over a year. The top drawing card is a 20-year old University of Houston sophomore by the name of Mark Tessman.

Tessman, a will-o-the-wisp 170-pounder, scored a clean knockout over experienced Mel Sartin, of New Orleans in 2:30 of the fifth round, before a packed house. Tessman boxes with finesse, and is coming along in the punching department. Veteran fistic authorities are beginning to get on this kid's bandwagon. Both weighed 170.

One of the stiffest sockers in the country is teen aged Bobby Dennard, Pasadena's big bomber, who stacked Cassius Clay Scott of New Orleans in the third round. Scott couldn't cope with the heavy artillery of the good-looking San Jacinto Junior College freshman, and was up and down six times. Denard came in at 182, Scott at 177. Keep your eyes on the baby faced assassin with the mittened blockbusters.

George Seals, 165, Houston, knocked out George Talbot, 175, Orange, in the second round. It was the first pro victory for Seals, who has been around the game for several years fighting Gene Wells, Dave Burch, and Dean Whitlock.

Vic Graffio, 137, Port Arthur, copped a four round duke from Joe Gaines, 138, New Orleans, to win his third straight since hitting the comeback trail.

In a gruelling battle here Karl Zurheide lost via the technical knockout route in the tenth round to Gene (Rocky) Romero, of New Orleans. The clever Zurheide had things going his way, but slowed noticeably in the eighth round, and the aggressive Romero picked it up. Karl, a Fon du lac, Wis. native, holds the Texas light-heavy crown and he and Romero were fighting it out over the 12-round distance for the Southern lightheavyweight title.

The heat was stifling. Referee Benny King, Zurheide, and Romero declared it reached 100-degrees. The air conditioning system was not functioning. Karl and Gene now stand at one a piece. They came in at 175.

Paul Patin, 180, Lake Charles, pounded out a six round decision over willing Dave Burch, 178, Houston. Patin is making a good comeback after laying off boxing for several years. Billy Klaus, 135, New Orleans, edged Johnny (Baby Face) Evans, 137, Houston, in a fast four rounder. Ashton Laday, 173, Houston, stopped Don Weems, 170, New Orleans, in the opening round of a scheduled four round bout.

At Houston, Dave (The Animal) Zyglewicz got mad between the second and third rounds of his fight with huge Dave Centi and roared out of his corner like a man set on demolishing. The first two rounds were fairly even, with Centi employing a long left and sneaky right. Ziggy kept moving in relentlessly, tossing punches. Ziggy stormed out at the bell in No. 3, and rocked the Italian heavy with punches to head and body. Centi was backed into the ropes, and Ziggy unloosed a half dozen blows that would have done Rocky Marciano proud. Centi toppled to the deck. The big fellow was in grave distress—and was counted out.

Ziggy has won 15 straight as a pro.

Tessman won his eleventh pro fight without a setback when he kayoed veteran Clarence Boone, of Ft. Worth, in the third round. But he paid dearly for the victory. He broke his right hand and will be on the shelf for a couple of months. Tessman never looked better as he had his far more experienced foe on the deck three times before

Sensational young knockout artist Bobby Dennard stopped game Willie Lee in the fourth round of a six round bout. Dennard took his time, and cut down the wily old pro bit by bit. The 19-year-old baby bomber is coming on fast, and this was his ninth knockout in ten victories. The 6-2 youngster weighed 182, while Lee came in at 195.

Two fours rounded out the action packed card. Dean Whitlock, 160, Houston, iced the ever trying George Seals, 162, Houston, in the second round. Billy Strother, 147, Houston, and Cornelius Paley, 148, Houston, whacked each other from corner to corner for four rounds, with Strother emerging the winner of a riotous slugfest.

Strother fought for ten years in the amateurs (Golden Gloves and Army) and made Paley his second victim in as many pro outings. Paley, who works for Maxim's Restaurant in Houston, was making his money debut.

▸ Chief Charley Sack, the fighting Cherokee from Oklahoma, is ready and willing to meet any welterweight in the South or anyplace else for that matter. The Chief is always in a war, and a colorful personality. . . . My little amigo from Ole Mejico, Estaban (The Beatle) Olvera, is back in Texas. The Monterrey bantam is one of the hottest pieces of fighting machinery in the country. He's a guaranteed action plus battler. . . . Thanks for the many letters regaarding the May issue of Ring Magazine, where the writer went over the six widely talked about young heavyweights in his column. We mentioned Joe Frazier, Buster Mathis, Ron Marsh, Boone Kirkman, Jerry Quarry, and our own Texas heavyweight champion Dave (The Animal) Zyglewicz. Speaking of young heavies, don't think for a second that this listing of six is conclusive by any means. There's Sugar Ray Anderson, Arizona's Mike Matousek, whom Zora Folley spoke so highly of to the writer and rawboned knockout artist Bobby Dennard. Then, there's Manuel Ramos of Mexico who has been around longer than any of those named, and tough.

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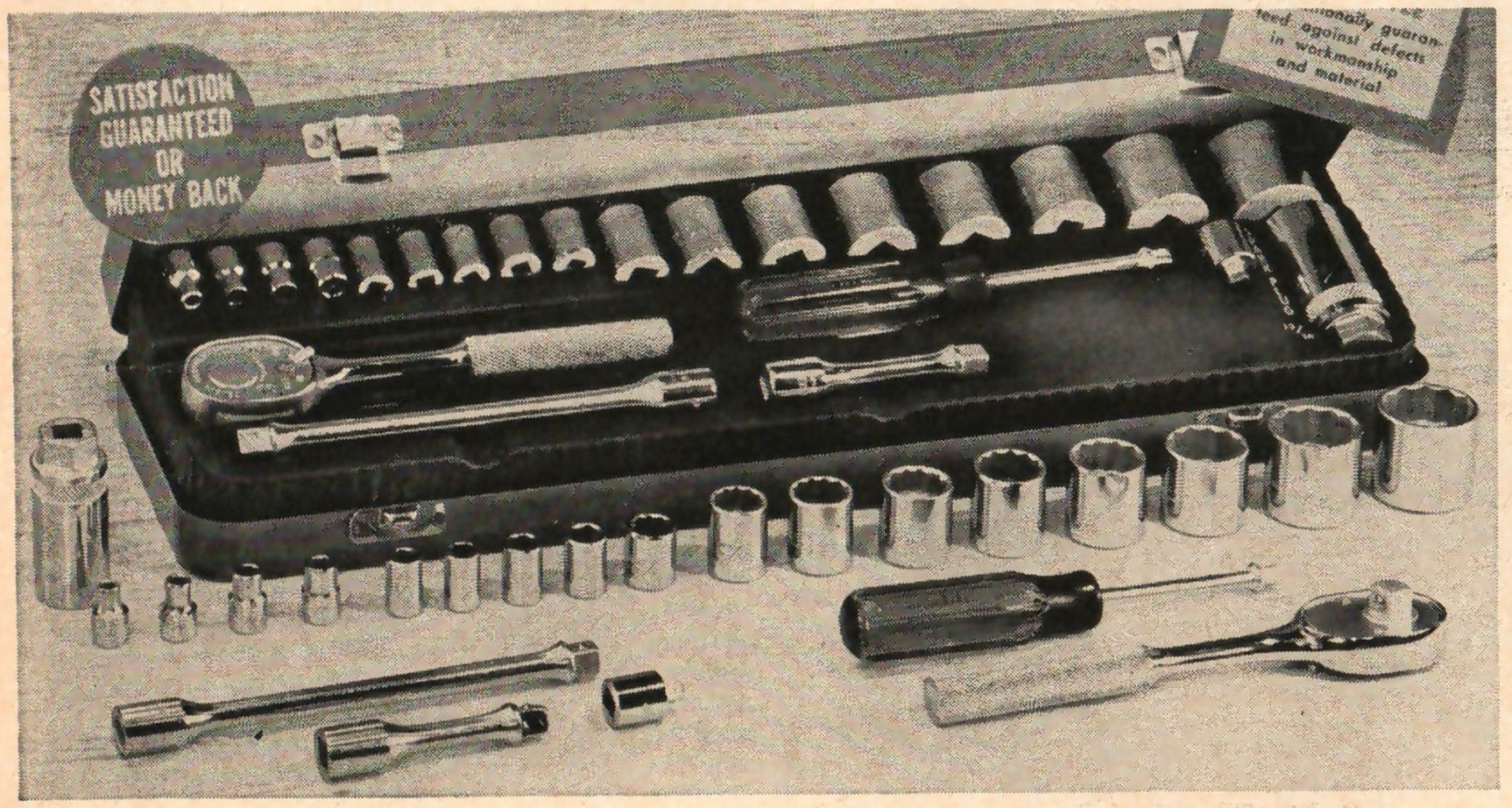

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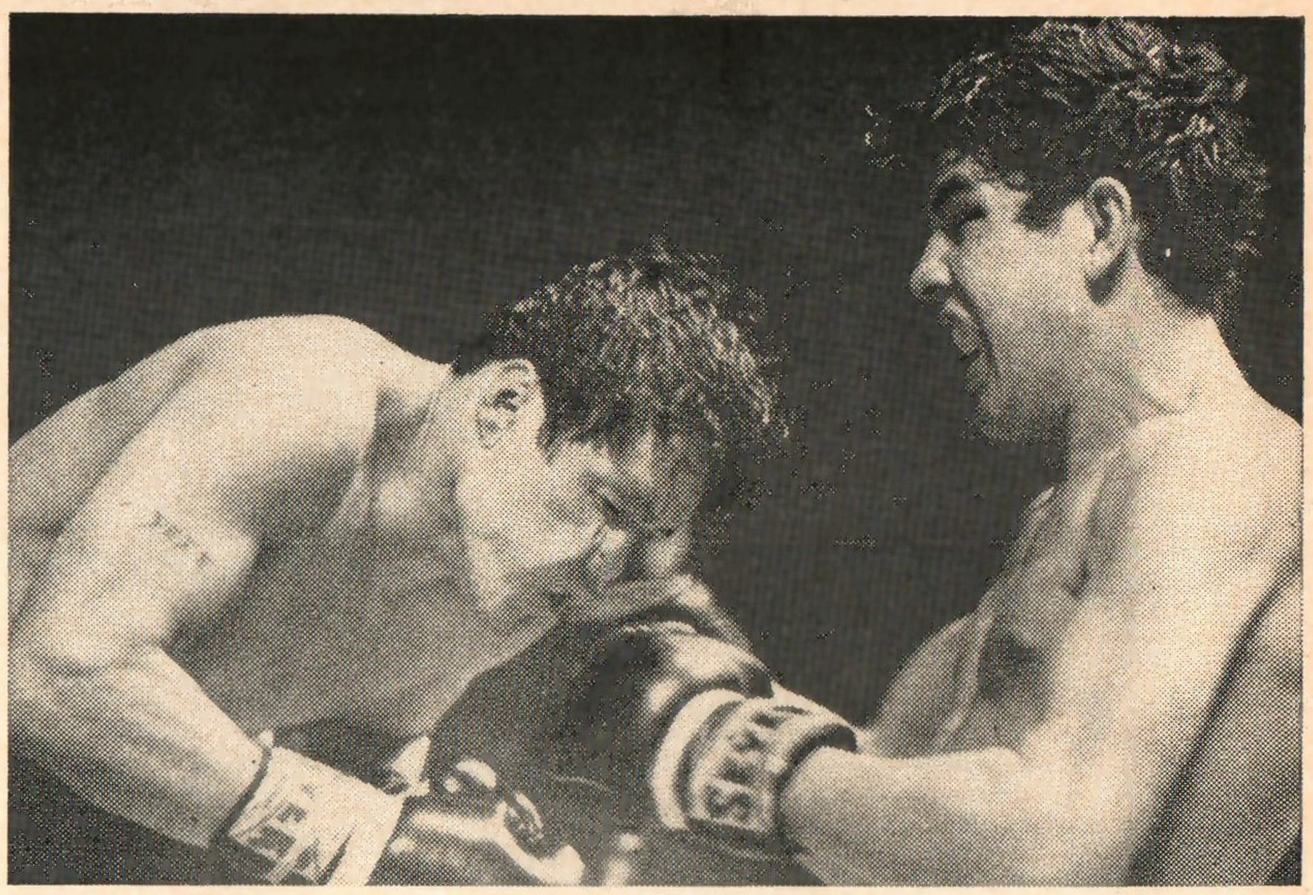
Mando Ramos Wins Again, But Injures Left Hand

By DON FRASER



Pete Gonzalez (left) winces as Mando Ramos lands a hard right to the head during their ten-rounder at the Olympic Auditorium. Ramos, who injured his left hand during the bout, scored his 16th straight pro victory.

LOS ANGELES, CAL. — Teen-ager Mando Ramos keeps winning and jamming the Olympic Auditorium, yet bad luck continues to stalk him.

The 18-year-old junior lightweight was a big winner over Pete Gonzalez, of Portland, before 9700 who contributed $30,-279. But, when the 10-rounder was over, Mando's left hand was bruised and swollen. X-rays showed no break, but some badly torn ligaments.

Gonzales, 24, made it interesting, though he had an obvious handicap, his limited reach as compared with the rangy Ramos. There was nothing close to a knockdown, but the large crowd enjoyed it all the way.

Referee John Thomas scored it 7-2. Judges Joey Olmos and Dick Young had it 10-2 and 7-3 respectively.

In a second ten, Frankie (Too Sweet) Jennings, 146½, outslugged Cuban Jesus Hernandez, 146. These two went punch for punch all the way with Jennings overhauling his tiring foe. An eight count knockdown in the eighth did the trick for "Too Sweet."

Gabe Hernandez, 133½, KO (5) over Jessie Sanchez, 136; Oscar Inocenio, 149½, drew Manny Duran, 150, (6).

► Tijuana's Joey Aguilar, 128, gave it a gallant try, but Irish Frankie Crawford, 126½, was too strong in their scheduled 10-rounder at the Olympic Auditorium.

Crawford had decked Aguilar and was giving him a good pasting when it was halted early in the ninth. This was the Irishman's fourth straight main event triumph at Olympic.

Dick Steele, 170, KO (2) over Scott Whissoker, 171; Al Bolton, 126, KO (1) over Rene Macias, 126; Mark White, 197, dec. Ray White, 188, (4).

► Jesus Pimentel, the Ring's No. 1 contender for Fighting Harada's world bantamweight crown, showed signs of rust when he ended a four month layoff at the Olympic Auditorium.

The little bomber from Mexicali, Mex., was sluggish in the first two rounds. He started to warm up in the third, dropping his Mexican rival, Marciano Rivas, three times. Under California rules, three knockdowns do not end a bout.

Early in the fourth, Pimentel twice dropped Rivas to the canvas before referee Dick Young interfered. Rivas's nose bled like a waterfall.

Jesus weighed 121½; Rivas, 120. The crowd numbered 3,802 and the gate, $6100.

Earlier in the evening, Jesus' twin brother, Jose Luis, stormed back from a second round knockdown to KO Olin Martin in the same round. This Pimentel weighed 124; Martin, 123.

Hedgeman Lewis, 145, unbeaten Detroit prospect, stopped Mel Fields, 150, (3); Al Bolton, 126½, KO (3) over Tony Porter, 128; Santos Chavrin, 136, dec. (4) Billy Coleman, 137½.

► Ernie (Red) Lopez, who was born on a Ute Indian reservation in Orem, Utah, went on the warpath at Olympic, before 3,640 onlookers.

Lopez' victim was "Too Sweet" Jennings, who could offer nothing but courage.

Ernie, a classy looking 21-year-old Golden Gloves grad, dropped Jennings in the first round. He cut "Too Sweet" in the third and continually beat him to the punch.

With 45 seconds left in the eighth round, referee Dick Young called Athletic Commission doctor Jack Useem to check Jennings' injured orb. While checking the wound, Dr. Useem found another cut and ordered the fight stopped.

Gabe Hernandez, 133½, decisioned Rod Contreas, 130, (6); Victor Jimenez, 123, dec. Butch Contreas, 124, (4); Tommy James, 148, dec. Henry Escobar, 144, (4).

► Two novice main eventers, Matt Blow and Wayne Kindred, were paired by Matchmaker Mickey Davies in the 10 round wind-up at Olympic. Between them they could muster only 10 pro bouts.

Blow, 203, a former New York Golden Glove winner, was a 3-1 favorite over Kindred.

After ten rugged rounds, underdog Kindred, 195, was voted a unanimous decision.

Ray White, 194, gained revenge in winning a six rounder from Mark White, 199. Mark had won a four two weeks prior. Raul Herrera, 119, dec. Jose Hernandez, 119, (6); Manny Amaya, 145½, dec. Manny Duran, 152½, (4).

NEWS FROM KENTUCKY

By Joe Martin

Louisville, Ky.—At downtown Convention Center, Marcus Anderson, 132, won his seventh straight pro fight by a 4-round knockout over Hector "Chino" Diaz, 134, Dominican Republic. The fight was fairly even up to a minute and 42 seconds of the fourth round, when Marcus connected with a short right hand and Diaz fell flat on his face.

This was Marcus' sixth knockout of his seven professional fights.

The preliminaries were well balanced with Josue Marquez, 130, Dominican Republic, winning a split 4-round decision over Richard Alexander, Detroit. Earl Everett, 170, from Detroit, won a decision over Bobby Lawson, 165, Louisville, in 4 rounds.

Hedgeman Lewis, 147, Detroit, won a 6-round decision over Charles Lewis, 157, Ft. Wayne. Allen Evans, 165, Detroit, won a 6-round decision over Lawrence Howard, 162, Louisville.

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McNEELEY BECOMES MASS. SOLON

By Don Hamill

Portland, Me.—Boxing in New England flourishing with regular weekly shows in Portland, Worcester and Walpole. There are shows in Boston and we have a new promotion in Jonesport, Me. Sheldon Smith, Job Corps Director in Bar Harbor, is promoting in the Jonesport Opera House.

The Connecticut Boxing Alliance honored Willie Pep, who had won the world's featherweight championship 25 years ago. In Boston the Veteran Boxers Association had a big affair.

Tom McNeeley, retired heavyweight, has been named by Gov. John Volpe to the Massachusetts Boxing Commission. He succeeds Herman Greenberg, whose term has expired.

Roland Lecuyer, Holyoke fighter, was counted out at the age of 56. He had suffered from multiple sclerosis.

▸ **JONESPORT,** Me., Hank Mandeville, 136, Portland, stopped Curtis Hudson, 144, Bar Harbor, in the fourth round of a scheduled eight rounder.

Ernie St. Angelo, 206, Bar Harbor, overpowered Frank Dunton, 190, Portland, to take the decision in the six semi-final. Paul Kasper, 173, whipped Henry Metivier, 173, Pittsfield, Me., in four.

▸ **PORTLAND, Me.**—Jimmy McDermott, 168, Holyoke, continued to blast his opponents as he halted veteran Jimmy Montgomery, 164, Dorchester, in the third round. Montgomery had been defensive until the third round. Then a pair of rights dropped Montgomery. The battering he received upon arising was sufficient to convince Referee Pete Bennett that he had enough.

Gene Herrick, 146, Saco, compiling a long list of first round kayoes starched Perry Carter, 145, New York. Southpaw Henry Wickham, 130½, Portland, had to go into the second round to stop Mel Glover, 134, New York. Gary O'Neill, 149, Portland, was too strong for Hank Mandeville, 144, Portland, and won a unanimous decision in six heats. Roland Lagueux, 133, Biddeford, stiffened Harvey McCarthy, 130, Portland, in the first round.

▸ **WORCESTER**—Jose (King) Roman, 186, Puerto Rico, is fast becoming a favorite with local fans. He played a Jack-the-giant-killer role when he punched out a clear-cut eight round decision over burly James J. Johnson, 218, New York. Johnson was knocked down in the fourth round but managed to stay erect the rest of the route.

Earl Johnson, 155, Cleveland, scored his second local knockout is as many weeks when he stopped Jimmy Johnson, 156, Brooklyn, in the third round. The three Johnsons on the card were unrelated. Upset of the night came when hithertofore undefeated Bob Benoit, 154, Oakham, was caught with a looping punch by Isidro Perez, 153, Westfield, and was knocked cold in the third round. Victor Bufold, 133, New York, was awarded a TKO win when Art Butts, 131, Portland, was unable to answer the bell for the fourth round. In the opener, Hector Ortiz, 151, Westfield, stopped Al Michaud, 151, Portland. Michaud, who insisted upon being introduced as Jackie Connors, was unable to answer the call for the third heat. Who was stopped? Michaud or Connors?

▸ **JONESPORT**—Jamie Meservey, 133, Pittsfield, Me. turned in a nifty performance in taking the eight round decision over Hank Mandeville, 136, Portland. Jamie used a stiff left jab.

Curt Simmons, 137, Portland, showing the result of the schooling he received in a New York gym, punched out a six round decision over Curtis Hudson, 140, Bar Harbor. Sam Sterling, 140, Bar Harbor, repeated over Pete Roman, 140, Portland. Albert Tiggs, 135, Bar Harbor, belted out Harvey McCarthy, 127, Portland, in the second heat.

▸ **PORTLAND**—Gene 'Hurricane' Herrick, 147, Saco, atoned for a TKO defeat he suffered last summer by punching out a one-sided eight round decision over Rocky Luce, 156, Worcester. Herrick is a vastly improved fighter.

Gabe LaMarca, 136, Arlington, in Maine debut, stabbed out an eight round decision over Henry Wickham, 130, Portland, for a unanimous decision. Pedro Agosto, 190, Puerto Rico was fed Al Brown, 209, New York, who stayed around until round two.

▸ **WORCESTER**—Lloyd Marshall, 136, Newark, N.J., came roaring down the stretch to earn a unanimous decision in ten rounds from Bud Anderson, 135½, Philadelphia. Anderson got off to a good start but tired. Lloyd's body attack and sharp left jab compiled his winning margin.

Isidro Perez, 156, Westfield, won on a fourth round TKO when Jimmy Montgomery, 162, Dorchester, suffered a badly gashed left eye in the third round. Dave Dittmar, 152, White Plains, fighting in spurts, was awarded a disputed six round split decision over Hector Ortiz, 150, Westfield. Hoyt Davis, 142, Holyoke, stopped Freddy Bryant, 147, New York, in the second round of Davis' pro debut.

▸ **PORTLAND**—Gene Herrick, 145, Saco, became the New England middleweight champion by stopping Dick French, 152, Providence, in the second round. Both were shaken in the explosive first round. In the second a left hook and a pair of rights dropped French like a log. He gamely made it to his feet but was dropped again by a fusillade. He arose again but was unable to defend himself and Referee Pete Bennett wisely called a halt.

Gabe LaMarca, 139, Arlington, staved off a late rally by Johnny Alfaro, 135, New York, to get a draw in their eight. In four round prelims: Frank Dunton, 183, Burnham, stopped Dick Johnson, 225, New York, copped the decision over Henry Metivier, 169, Pittsfield; and Jim Burnham, 125, Portland, halted Roland Levesque, 121, Biddeford, in the second round.

▸ **WALPOLE**—Doug Charles, 135, New York, displayed some crisp punching as he knocked Angel Rivera, 134, Brooklyn, kicking in the sixth round. A left hook and right cross to the chin dropped Rivera for the full count.

Danny McAloon, 145, Freeport, N.Y., also scored a clean kayo when he starched Willie Williams, 145, Brookline, away in the third session. Earl Woods, 123, Long Island City, needed only 40 seconds of round one to knock out Tony Vickers, 120, Worcester, in a scheduled four. Mel Ward, 162, Brooklyn, outpunched Rocky Luce, 160, Worcester, in an action packed bout.

▸ **WORCESTER**—Horace (Hal) Carroll, 175, Syracuse, displayed a fast pair of hands, good boxing and punch to stop veteran Clay Thomas, 183, Brooklyn, in the sixth. It was necessary for Referee Jimmy McCarron to call a halt.

Billy Conlin, 165, Fitchburg, stopped Oscar Haynie, 166, Buffalo, N.Y., in the third round. Haynie, dropped by a right cross, got up at the nine count and then pitched forward on his face. Dave Dittmar, 152, White Plains, continues to win but takes a bad beating in the process. He had to come off the floor to edge Gleason Leeper, 147, New York, or "Leroy Allen." Charley Polite, 208, Springfield, making his first start in a year, since he suffered a broken jaw in his bout with Joe Frazier, started his comeback with a one-sided win over Ernie Bryant, 218, New York, in four rounds.

▸ **PORTLAND**—Veteran George Johnson, 162, Trenton, N.J., handed a real boxing lesson to willing Bobby Warthem, 157, Buffalo, N.Y., in taking a unanimous ten round decision. Johnson kept his left hand in Warthem's face as he stabbed him with jabs and occasionally mixed up a few hooks to head or body. Warthem scored the only knockdown in the fourth round.

The undercard consisted of four round bouts. Giant Joe Brewster, 225, Pittsfield, had Harold Roos, 199, Portland, on the floor three times, and won a split decision; Roland Legueux, 132, Biddeford, outslugged Ronnie Butts, 133, Portland; Floyd Douglas, 161, New York, edged Paul Barrett, 165, Worcester; Jim Burnham, 130, Portland, decisioned Paul Lemirande, 137, Biddeford; and Billy Brown, 133, Portland, had to bow out in the second round because of a dislocated shoulder giving the win to fellow Portlander, Frank Arbour, who also weighed 133.

▸ **BOSTON, MASS.—Joe DeNucci, 163, Newton, methodically punched out a unanimous ten round decision over awkward Rocky Halliday, 165, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. DeNucci with sharp, crisp punching, built up an early lead and was never headed. Halliday came on strong in the last four heats but his rally came too late. DeNucci was cut over the left eye in the ninth round. This bothered him the rest of the route.**

Beau Jaynes, 131, Lowell, outboxed Bolo Martinez, 134, New York, for a unanimous decision in ten. The lanky Jaynes kept his left jab and solid right crosses pumping.

After a slow start Billy Lonergan, 152, Glen Cove, N.Y., got rolling and won a clear ten round decision over muscular Kid Bassey II, 150, Jamaica, B.W.I. Both suffered cuts over their left eyes. Paul Christie, 157, Medford, won a sixth round technical knockout over Joe Brown, 161, New York, a catcher all the way.

▸ Nick Abrahamson and Joe Martin moved their operation into Boston from Walpole. In their first offering, Miguel Barretto, 145, New York, and Dave Morine, 144, Philadelphia, staged a nip-and-tuck battle that saw both scoring well. Barretto earned the eighth round unanimous decision in the two final heats.

Ulysses Jiminiez, 142, spoiled the comeback of Manny Burgo, 147½, New Bedford, whom he stopped in the fourth round. The sharper Burgo had built up a big lead up to the time he was nailed and dropped twice. Arthur (Pork Chops) Pare, 175, Woonsocket, R.I., made his pro debut a winning one as he stopped Mel Ward, 161, New York, in the third round.

Jack O'Halloran, 237½, South Boston, had to be content with a decision in four rounds over cutey Hal Moffett, 180, New York, who was dwarfed by the 6 ft. 5 in. giant. Billy Wallace, 148, Randolph, battered Lonnie Cabassa, 145, New York to take an easy decision in four heats.

Augie Pantellas, 127½, South Boston, impressed with his punching power in stopping Ken Smith, 125, Brooklyn, in the second round. In the curtain raiser, Bob Benoit, 162, Oakham, bested strong, willing, but crude Manny Freitas, 160, Lowell.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO MAY 20, 1967)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. George Chuvalo (C)	1. Blair Richardson (C)	1. Johnny Cooke (E)	1. Dick Tiger (N)
2. Henry Cooper (E)	2. Johnny Pritchett (E)	2. Brian McCaffrey (E)	2. Bob Dunlop (A)
3. Jack Bodell (E)	3. Gomeo Brennan (B)	3. Joey Durelle (C)	3. Young McCormack (E)
4. Brian London (E)	4. Wally Swift (E)	4. Gordon McAteer (E)	4. John Hendrickson (BWI)
5. Billy Walker (E)	5. Les McAteer (E)	5. Lennox Beckles (Gu)	5. Lewini Waqa (Fi)
6. Billy Gray (E)	6. Lionel Ilfill (Gu)	6. Shaun Doyle (E)	6. Eddie Avoth (W)
7. Carl Gizzi (W)	7. Harry Scott (E)	7. Dick Duffy (W)	7. Derek Richards (W)
8. Johnny Prescott (E)	8. Milo Calhoun (J)	8. Don Davis (J)	8. Bob Nicolson (E)
9. Roy Enifer (E)	9. Jimmy Meilleur (C)	9. Johnny DePeiza (T)	9. Johnny Ould (E)
10. Wendall Newton (B)	10. Dimitri Michaelis (A)	10. Carmen Rotolo (A)	10. Jimmy Tibbs (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Maurice Cullen (E)	1. Howard Winstone (W)	1. Walter McGowan (S)	1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Manoel Santos (NZ)	2. John O'Brien (A)	2. Alan Rudkin (E)	2. George Hind (S)
3. Ray Adigun (N)	3. Johnny Famechon (A)	3. Lionel Rose (A)	3. Rocky Gatterlari (A)
4. Bunny Grant (J)	4. Love Alottey (G)	4. Jim McCann (I)	4. Alex O'Neil (I)
5. Ken Buchanan (S)	5. Toro George (A)	5. Sean McCafferty (I)	5. Tony Barlow (E)
6. Percy Hayles (J)	6. Jimmy Anderson (E)	6. Evan Armstrong (S)	6. Kid Miller (Z)
7. Vic Andreetti (E)	7. Billy McGrandle (C)	7. Carl Taylor (E)	7. Bill Amos (Z)
8. Jim "Spike" McCormack (I)	8. Joe Tetteh (G)	8. Bob Allotey (G)	8. Orizio Obilaso (N)
9. Norman Langford (A)	9. Gilberto Biondi (A)	9. Don Weller (E)	
10. Ivan Whiter (E)	10. Lennie Williams (W)	10. Noel Kunde (A)	

LEGEND: A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; FI Fiji Islands; G Ghana; GU Guyana; IN India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; NZ New Zealand; S Scotland; SA South Africa; T Trinidad; TO Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

COOPER BLEEDS SOME MORE AS OLD JOHN BULL WEEPS

THE BRITISH ISLES

By JOHNNY SHARPE

LONDON, ENGLAND: — There are unsympathetic people among the boxing fans of Merrie England. They go so far as to tell Henry Cooper, British and Empire heavyweight champion, to pack it up.

Henry's latest exploit, a points win over American unrated and undistinguished Boston Jacobs in a bloody ten rounder at Leicester, reflected no great credit on 'Enry and raised the question of the wisdom of his going on with the gloves.

Jacobs was not awed by Cooper's titles and pressed the issue for thirty minutes. Cooper's nose was cut in the first round, his left eye was cut in the third, and that injury was aggravated copiously in the sixth, which saw Jacobs rally all over the ring.

Henry had Boston in trouble in the fifth. The old Coop would have finished him. But suddenly the British Lion became a spectator.

The cut eye got worse in the eighth. In the tenth Jacobs had our boy's legs buckling. Now Cooper's right eye was bleeding and he took on the unpleasant crimson picture of his fight with Cassius Ali.

However, Cooper got the decision on points, and the serenity of the British boxing world was preserved. Cooper weighed 194, Jacobs 192½.

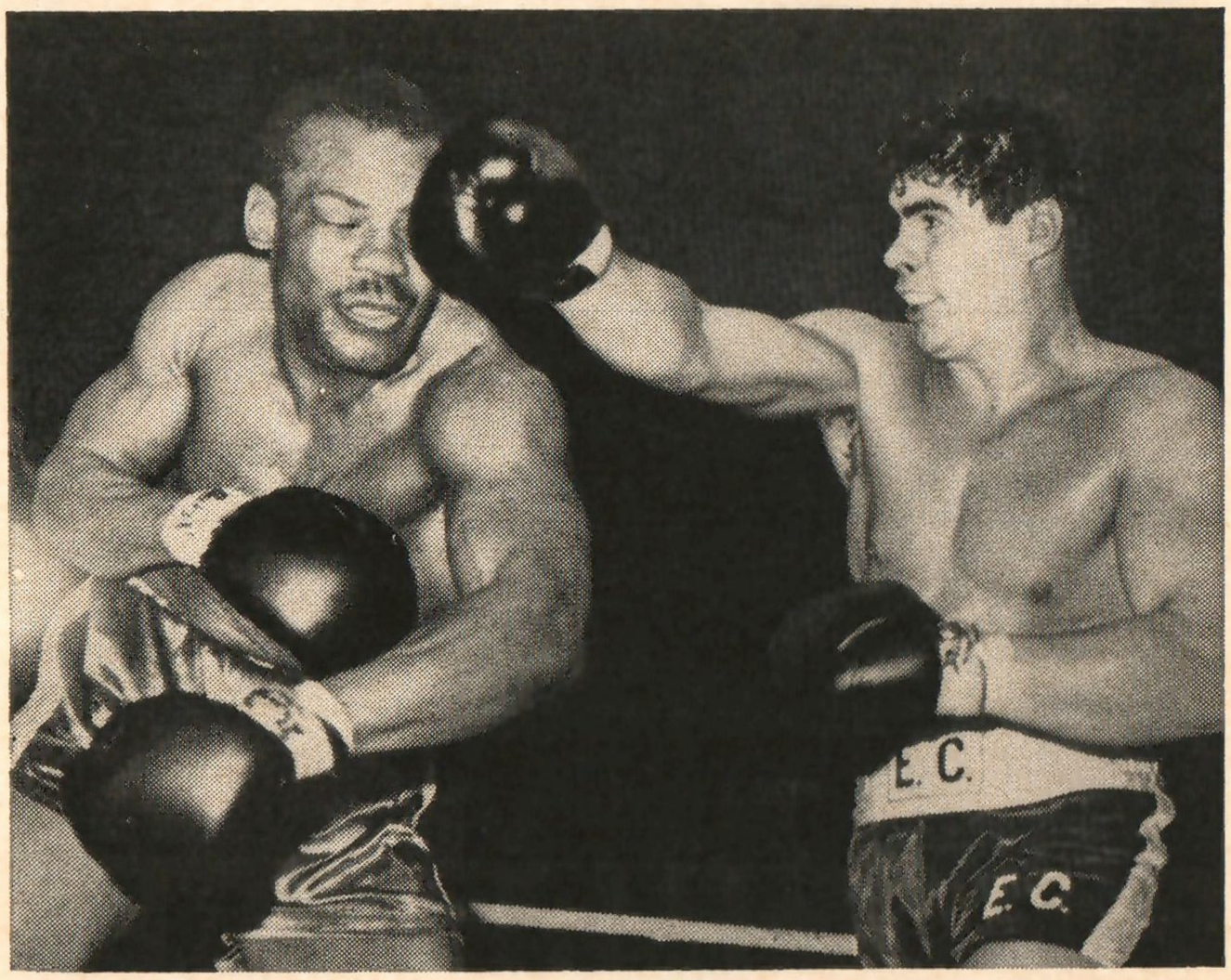
On the same card our heavy Jack Bodell looked like a better chicken farmer than a fighter. He was decked in the first round by Sonny Moore, Tyler, Tex. However, Bodell managed to beat the Texan in ten.

Now the two heroes of Leicester will meet for the British and Empire title. Shades of Bombardier Wells, Iron Hague and Joe Beckett!

As Job is quoted as having said, "Oh Lord, how long?"

Oh, yes,—Jimmy McIlvaney, Birmingham, and Mick Carter, West Bromwich, fought a six round draw.

Anglo-American Sporting Club, London—"Come and see the next Heavyweight Champion of the World." So ran the advance publicity on the appearance of Eduardo Corletti, good looking Argentinian, 205, who was served up an aged dish in the veteran Joe Bygraves, Jamaica, 203, now a prosperous pig farmer.



Argentina's Eduardo Corletti (right) connects with a long right to the head of Joe Bygraves in the final round of their ten-round contest at London's Anglo-American Sporting Club. Corletti won the referee's decision.

At the end the cheers were for the 35 year old Bygraves, who made Corletti look awkward until he ran out of steam in the seventh. From then on Joe was the receiver of Corletti's pet left jabs, until the end of the scheduled ten.

Although referee Harry Gibbs' score card read 49¾ for Corletti, to Bygraves' 48½, at no time did Corletti warrant nomination as a challenger for Muhammad Ali's title. His victories over Billy Walker and George Chuvalo received a big dent, and he will have to show better form.

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ST. LOUIS REVIVES BOXING MINUS FANFARE

By Rollo Horwitz

St. Louis, Mo.—Once an important locale of boxing competition but for years reduced to a whistle stop, the Mound City returned to the ring with a six bout card promoted by World Wide Sports, Inc., in the National Guard Armory.

The turnout of 648 fans was not regarded with panic by the promoters. Nor did it send them into ecstacies. They had expected better. But it might have been worse, in a metropolis long since surrendered by boxing to wrestling. It was the first public outcry of boxing here in three years.

On October 23, 1964, Ernie Terrell knocked out Henry Wallitsch here in five rounds.

Don Cobbs, twice national Golden Gloves welterweight champ, appearing in his seventh pro fight, his first in his home city. He knocked out Charles Lewis, Ft. Wayne, in 1:27 of the second of a scheduled 8-rounder.

Lewis substituted for Jimmy Norton, Milwaukee, and Cobbs who fights at 147, had to add seven pounds in his last week of training to meet Lewis's 159.

Cobbs, a cool, nimble "gentleman boxer" as he was called by sports writers in Roanoke, Va., when he took a unanimous verdict over Dave Wyatt of Richmond, Va., wastes no motion or punches. Sending Lewis down for an 8-count in the opening of the second, Cobbs then drove a right to the jaw and followed with a left.

Norbert Cody, 159, St. Louisan who went into the quarter finals of the national Golden Gloves in Milwaukee, made his St. Louis pro debut, knocking out Serge Williams, Fort Wayne, in the second of a six-round match.

Five of the six St. Louis fighters were making their pro debuts in the hometown. The sixth St. Louisan, Frank (Honey Boy) Jackson, 178, lost a heavyweight battle, a unanimous decision going to Mack Harrison, Akron, 190, with four-inches greater reach than Jackson.

Charles (Hercules) Williams, 204, 1961 national light heavy Golden Gloves champ, hammered out a unanimous decision over Earl Averette, 194, Detroit, with fast lefts and rights. The 23-year-old 6'4", lean Williams took a draw in his only other pro fight, in Los Angeles, against Jimmy Herman, West Coast battler, in 1965.

Art James, middleweight, outpointed Larry Howard, Ft. Wayne, in six-rounds; and Nelson Stovall, former local Golden Gloves light-heavy, took the decision in six rounds from Bobby Lawson, Louisville. Referees were: Jim Parker, Jim Reddick and Paul Spica. Judges: Emil Hagen, Howard Hess and Edgar Terry.

BOXING NEWS FROM NEW ZEALAND

By Dave Cameron

New Zealand lightweight champion Manoel Santos travelled to Melbourne to meet Italian Giovanni Girgenti. This was Santos last match before his big British Empire title fight with Jamaican Bunny Grant. Santos out-boxed the tough Italian and won by a convincing points margin. Santos was downed in the fourth round.

Bad luck has again struck Mexican boxer Roberto Pena and his wife Sierra. They were all set to return to Mexico but have again had to cancel their plans through illness. Sierra has had to return to hospital and Roberto is also ill again.

New Zealand's oldest surviving boxing champion, Big Jim Griffin died recently aged 86. Another ex-champ Neville Mudgway, died during the month.

American boxer Bobby Stinanato arrived back in New Zealand recently to settle in here.

▸ **Wellington**—Manoel Santos relieved Jamaican Bunny Grant of his British Empire title with a great win over 15 rounds. It was a very close match and hotly disputed. Grant carried the fight to his opponent and bustled Santos with sharp combination punches. Santos remained cool throughout and won with his cleaner punching. Santos won on a split decision.

Grant received £2,500 and Santos £750.

On the same bill Bernie Sua beat Ron Chadfield on points in a six round middleweight contest. Billy Opetala of Auckland won on points over Australian Bob Murdoch in a tough ten round middleweight contest.

Fred Taupola of Auckland was lucky to get the split decision over Greek boy, Steve Koutzoumis, in a ten round middleweight contest.

Dunedin, New Zealand—Boxing made a welcome return to Dunedin when Sam Haley, of Tonga, heavyweight champion of the Pacific, knocked out Young Stanko, of Deep Cove, in the ninth round.

▸ In a big open air show at Auckland's Carlaw Park we saw the unusual sight of two American Negroes opposing each other in a New Zealand ring. New Zealand favorite Eddie Cotton faced Californian Bobby Stininato.

Cotton came in over the light-heavyweight limit and had to pay a forfeit. A crowd of 10,000 turned up in overcast and showery weather.

Cotton built up a nearly lead with left jabs, but found a superbly fit Stininato a cagey and difficult opponent. Round three saw Stininato on the canvas for a compulsory eight count, and although Cotton attacked for the rest of the round he could not put Stininato away.

Stininato won the fifth, but struck trouble in the sixth and was badly cut above the left eye. In the seventh the referee looked at the cut but let the action continue. Cotton attacked relentlessly in round eight and Stininato just covered his face with his gloves.

At the end of the eighth a doctor was called in to examine Stininato's eye and at the bell for the ninth the referee raised Cotton's arm.

On the same bill the new Tongan heavyweight Johnny Sione knocked out his Fijian opponent Manassa Clay in the second round. Cotton's manager, George Chemeres, was so impressed with Sione that he wanted to take him back to the United States with him.

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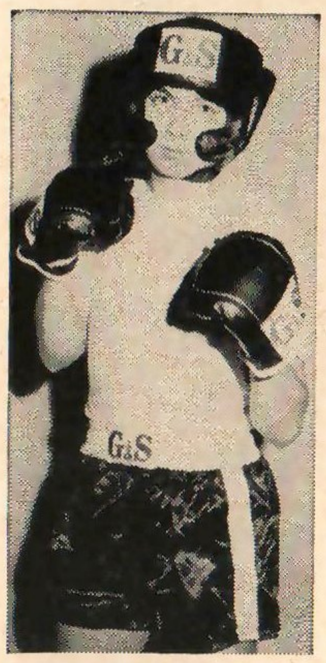

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UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES

By Tom Ephrem

Jacksonville, Fla.—Southern boxing commissions should have Nat Fleischer's RING RECORD BOOK AND ENCYCLOPEDIA, and THE RING MAGAZINE on hand to check the caliber of fighters and their skill. They would be of tremendous help to assure the public of careful matches, Jacksonville Boxing and Wrestling Commission swears by them and they have proven the best of references.

Manager-Trainer Sam Boardman, in Norfolk, willing to help arrange pro boxing shows in Jacksonville. . . . What a wonderful pairing to begin with, if we could match localites Tim Ford and Herbie Lee, now fighting out of Washington, D.C.

Dixieland adds to the ilst of her boxing sons. Tabbed Best Light-Heavyweight Prospect of the Month in the June issue of RING Magazine is Joe Burns, of New Orleans. . . . Chuck Rogers, of the Jacksonville Recreation Department, agrees with the writer on amateur boxing at our local playgrounds. Chuck will have the program going in July. . . . George Kouroupis will purchase fight films to show his customers after work hours.

Jacksonville Beach, with its spanking, brand new auditorium will accommodate pro and amateur boxing, according to Manager Joe Kelley.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

Liston Stops Bailey But Experts Don't See Punch

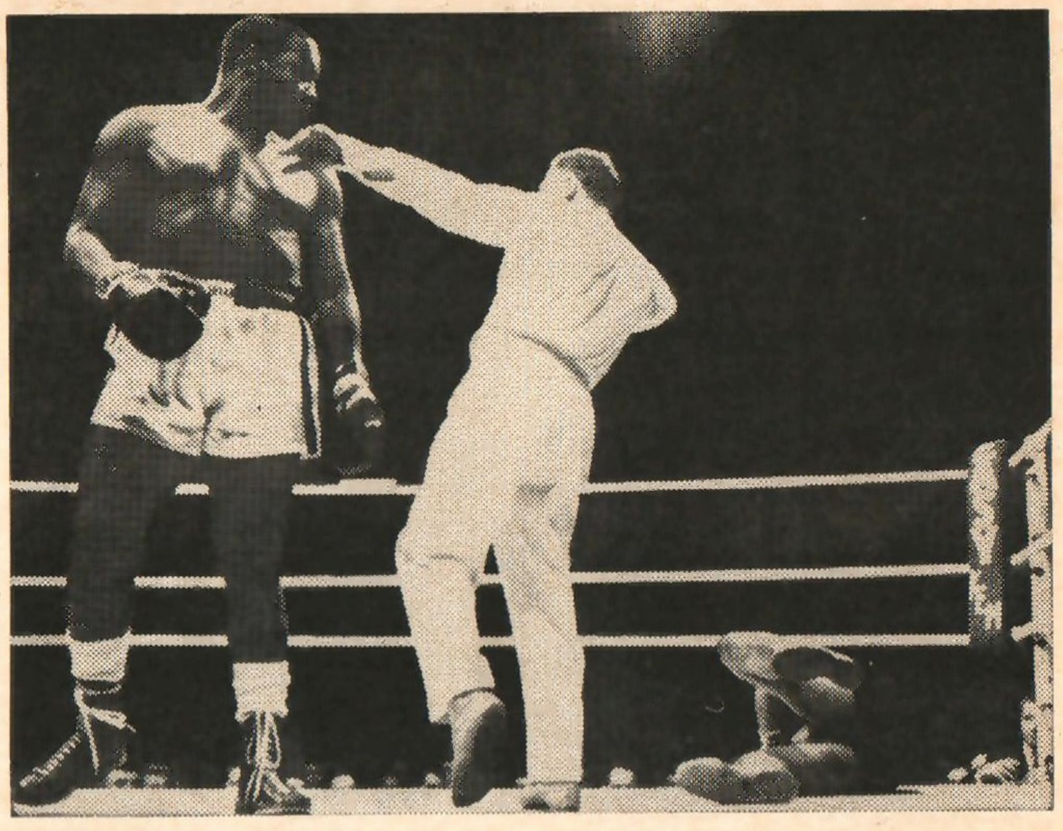
By J. A. TREE

GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN—Sonny Liston took just 2:22 minutes to KO fellow American Dave Bailey. The punch, a short right hook to the chin, was disputed by some Swedish newspapermen who doubted if the blow ever reached its target.

Bailey, said a doctor on examining him after the bout, was fairly shaken up and confirmed the punch. It did, in fact, land on Bailey's chin, he said.

Marcel Cerdan's victory over Robert Gallois was questioned by some. Gallois did not win but he certainly deserved half the points.

European light heavyweight king Piero Del Papa retained his crown, easily outpointing Pekka Kokkonen in Helsinki, and German heavyweight champion Gerhard Zech held on to his title by stopping Peter Weiland, who was too 'green' for such a bout.



Sonny Liston is about to head for neutral corner after knocking out Dave Bailey in the first round of their bout at Gothenburg, Sweden. The KO punch, a short right to the chin, was disputed by some Swedish newspapermen.

ITALY

Arezzo, Featherweight. Franco Innocenti scored a ten round victory over Roman Casal.

▸ **Pesara,** Lightweight. Maurice Tavant lost a ten rounder to Bruno Melissano. Welterweight. Franco De Pace outpointed Quintino Soarez, 8.

▸ **Bologna,** Heavyweight. Giulio Saraudi decisioned Valere Mahau, 8. Lightweight. Vicenzo Pitardi outscored Domenico Pillon, 8. Featherweight. Giovanni Girgenti outpointed Renato Galli, 10.

▸ **Teneriffa,** Juan Sombrita narrowly outpointed American, Johnny White, 10. Sombrita has been nominated as challenger for the European Super lightweight title held by German Conny Rudhof. White dropped a decision to Rudhof last time out.

▸ **Turin,** Mangini Giuseppe presented the long awaited local heavyweight championship affair between champion, Piero Tomasoni and Dante Cane at the Palazzo dello Sport. Over 5,000 saw their champion, at his best, win clearly on points over twelve rounds.

Cane, heavier and a head taller, was at times belted from one side of the ring to the other, but he was still there at the end throwing punches. Italy hopes for a third European title bout between Mildenberger and Tomasoni, this time of course, at home. Those who know their boxing went as far as to say that Tomasoni would beat Mildenberger. In two previous battles, however, he was outpointed by the German. The Italian has a date with Zora Folley at Brescia on May 21.

Luigi Patruno, a southpaw, decisioned Dante Pelaez, 8. Colorado King, South Africa, lost to one time Italian heavyweight champion, Sante Amonti, 8.

▸ **Leghorn,** Romano Fanali outpointed Jean Bracellari, 10.

▸ **Rome,** On a Rudolf Sabbatini fight bill, European champion Sandro Mazzinghi outpointed American middleweight Henry Aldrich, 10. Super welterweight champion Remo Golfarini clearly outpointed Sugar Boy Bando, 10. Bantamweight champion Franco Zurlo shared points with Bob Allotey, Ghana, 8. Super lightweight Ermanno Fasoli decisioned Elfrem Donati, 8. Welterweight champion Domenico Tiberia outpointed Golden Abdul, Nigeria, 8.

▸ **La Spezta,** Welterweight. Alberto Torri outscored Angel Neroni, 8. Lightweight. Carmelo Coscia decisioned Kid Oliva, 8.

▸ **Naples,** Middleweight. Mario Lamanga koed Jack Taruk in two heats.

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Sevilla, Lightweight. Manuel Carvajal decisioned Fernando Riera, 8.

▸ **Las Palmas,** Featherweight. Kid Tano won an eight rounder against Luis Aisa.

▸ **Las Palmas,** Kid Tano forced Salvatore Gennatiempo to retire in the eighth. Welterweight. Oscar Miranda koed Carmelo Garcia Gancho in eight.

▸ **Abidjan,** Middleweight. Fahio Bettini won a ten rounder against Jeromme Adje. Light heavyweight. Kouame Yao beat Georges Torrecillas, who retired in the tenth.

▸ **BARCELONA,** Lightweight. Tomas Castuera decked Angel Rodriguez in frame four for keeps. Welterweight. Leopoldo Escuin forced A. Vallecillo to retire in the fifth.

▸ **Santander,** Welterweight. Jose Luis Torcida outpointed Muhamed Halimi, 8.

▸ **Barcelona,** Welterweight. Vicente Ferrando outscored Floyd Barrow, 8. A. Antolinos beat Del Amo, 8.

▸ **Madrid,** Jose Legra won a ten rounder against Rafiu King, bringing his total to twenty-five straight wins. Featherweight. Manuel Calvo beat Antonio Ferreira the third man calling a halt in heat six. Bantamweight. Francisco Martinez outscored Ernesto Miranda, 10. Lightweight. Tony Ortiz stopped Velerio Nunez, the referee breaking up the engagement in heat nine.

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EUROPEAN RATINGS

(UP TO MAY 20, 1967)

HEAVYWEIGHTS	LIGHT HEAVIES	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	JUNIOR MIDDLES
1. Karl Mildenberger (G)	1. Piero Del Papa (I)	1. Nino Benvenuti (I)	1. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
2. Piero Tomasoni (I)	2. Bernard Thebault (F)	2. Luis Folledo (S)	2. Carlos Duran (I)
3. Gerhard Zech (G)	3. Vittorio Saraudi (I)	3. Tom Bogs (Dn)	3. Yolande Leveque (F)
4. Dante Cane (I)	4. Paul Roux (F)	4. Jupp Elze (G)	4. Jean Rolland (F)
5. Giulio Saraudi (I)	5. Pekka Kokkonen (Fn)	5. Jacques Marty (F)	5. Bo Hoberg (Sw)
6. Jurgen Blin (G)	6. Lothar Stenger (G)	6. Sugar Boy Nando (H)	6. Bo Pettersson (Sw)
7. Peter Weiland (G)	7. Giovanni Biancardi (I)	7. Pascal Di Benedetto (F)	7. Jo Gonzales (F)
8. Sante Amonti (I)	8. Ivan Prebeg (Y)	8. Klaus Stockmann (G)	8. Armando Ricci (I)
9. Bepi Ros (I)	9. Wilhelm von Homburg (G)	9. Horst Wieczorek (G)	9. Pierre Minier (F)
10. Benito Penna (I)	10. Rene Golfarini (I)	10. Souleymane Diallo (F)	10. Miguel Munoz (S)
WELTERWEIGHTS	**JUNIOR WELTERS**	**LIGHTWEIGHTS**	**JUNIOR LIGHTS**
1. Jean Josselin (F)	1. Sandro Lopopolo (I)	1. Borge Krogh (Dn)	1. Franco Ziini (I)
2. Francois Pavilla (F)	2. Conny Rudhof (G)	2. Maurice Tavant (F)	2. Luis Aisa (S)
3. Carmelo Bossi (I)	3. Willi Quatuor (G)	3. Pedro Carrasco (S)	3. Jacques Bottier (F)
4. Stig Waltersson (Sw)	4. Juan Sombrita (S)	4. Rene Rogue (F)	4. Bruno Arcari (I)
5. Domenico Tiberia (I)	5. Marcel Cerdan (F)	5. Johann Orsolic (A)	5. Marius Cordier (F)
6. Andrea Navarro (S)	6. Olli Maeki (Fn)	6. Karl Furcht (G)	6. Angel Neches (S)
7. Carmelo Garcia (S)	7. Aissa Hashas (F)	7. Bruno Melissano (I)	7. Luigi Braccini (I)
8. Klaus Klein (G)	8. Fernand Nollet (F)	8. Enrico Barletti (I)	8. Vicente Ferrando (S)
9. Aldo Battistutta (I)	9. Jo Madrazo (S)	9. Giordano Campari (I)	9. Miguel Roman (S)
10. Ciro Patronelli (I)	10. Massimo Consolatti (I)	10. Tony Ortiz (S)	

FEATHERWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
1. Jose Legra (S)	1. Mimoun Ben Ali (S)	1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Kid Tano (S)	2. Kamara Diop (F)	2. Rene Libeer (F)
3. Yves Desmarets (F)	3. Salvatore Burruni (I)	3. Antoine Porcel (F)
4. Lothar Abend (G)	4. Franco Zurlo (I)	4. Pierro Rossi (F)
5. Jan De Keers (B)	5. Tomasoni Galli (I)	5. Fritz Chervet (Sd)
6. Michel Hondeau (F)	6. Pierre Vetroff (F)	6. Dionisio Bisbal (S)
7. Kouder Meftah (F)	7. Jose Bisball (S)	7. Antonio Punentez (S)
8. Manuel Calvo (S)	8. Jan Persson (Sw)	8. Vittorio Riccardi (I)
9. Andrea Silanos (I)	9. Risto Luukonnen (Fn)	9. Franco Sperati (I)
10. Enrico Gismondi (I)	10. Nevio Carbi (F	10. Etienne Giminez (F)

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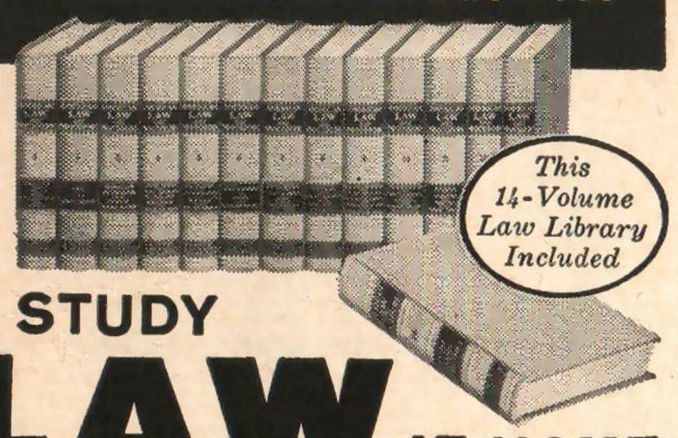

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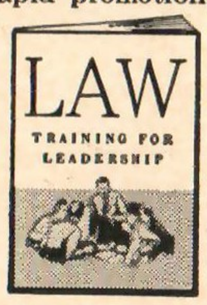

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GOLDEN GLOVERS VIE IN CANADIAN FINALS

By Raul Lefevre

Montreal, Quebec—In the Centennial Golden Gloves championships in the Forum, with 5,000 looking on, attention was focused on the 156 pound class, in which Donato Paduano, Olympic B.C., outpointed Terry Humphries, of Palestre Nationale. Donato appears to be headed for the Pan-American games in Winnipeg.

There was no doubt about Paduano's superiority over the less experienced Humphries in every one of the three rounds.

In the heavyweight class Edward Talhami, Star B.C., stopped Larry Reddick, Olympic B.C., in the third heat. It was the only clean KO of the championship card of ten bouts. The results:

OPEN CLASSES

112 pounds—Tom Leblanc, Moncton decisioned Frank Casey, Moncton.

119 pounds—Elliot Drobner, Star YMHA, B.C. decisioned Claude Langlois, Montmagny.

125 pounds—Yves Belair, Valleyfield decisioned Denis Groleau, St. J. Bap.

132 pounds—Gerald Rate, St. J. Bap. decisioned Pierre Deschenes, Quebec City.

139 pounds—Frank Perno, Palestre decisioned Michel Godin, Olympic Boxing Club.

178 pounds—Yvon Duhamel, St. Jean Baptiste Paride Baldassarre, Star Boxing Club.

156 pounds—Donato Paduano, Olympic Boxing Club decisioned Terry Humphries, Palestre.

165 pounds—Luigo Colavita, Olympic Boxing Club decisioned Wilbrod Thobodeau, Edmunston, N.B.

178 pounds—Yvon Duhamet, St. Jean Baptiste second round TKO over Vince Evans, Olympic Boxing Club.

Heavyweight—Edward Talhami, Star Boxing Club third round knockout over Larry Reddick, Olympic Boxing Club.

NOVICE CLASSES

112 pounds—Pierre Morel, St. Jean Baptiste decisioned Paul Collette, St. Jean Baptiste.

119 pounds—Andre Daigle, Quebec City decisioned ichel Doucette, Hull.

125 pounds—Bernard Daoust, Palestre decisioned Reynald Cantin, Quebec.

132 pounds—Pierre Schwob, Palestre decisioned Benoit Savard, Quebec.

139 pounds—Bing St. Onge, Olympic decisioned Yves Gosselin, Quebec City.

147 pounds—Jack Awakim, Palestre decisioned Bob Maloney, Hull.

156 pounds—Andre Ste. Marie, St. J. Bap. second round TKO over Michel Musachio, Star Boxing Club.

165 pounds—Bernard Haayer, Hull decisioned Paul Binnette, Star B.C.

178 pounds—Socrates Tsokanos, Olympic B.C. decisioned Michel Lacroix, Hull.

Heavyweight—Brian Parsons, Star Boxing Club decisioned Robert Dayon, St. Jean Baptiste.

NEWS FROM VENEZUELA

By William Albert

Caracas, Venezuela—On a card promoted by Leon Figueroa in the Nuevo Circo, ranked Antonio Amaya, 130, Panamá, scored an impressive ten round decision over Pedro Gomez, 129½. Amaya scored a knockdown.

Jose Luis Vallejo, 135, landed another important victory over Esteban Santamaria, 135, of Panamá, in ten rounds.

▸ **Maracay**—In the "Maestranza Bull Ring", a card promoted by Ramiro Machado, ranked Freddy Rengifo, 125½, stopped Barbullito Zuloaga, 125¼, Colombia, in the second round.

Undefeated Jose Luis Vallejo, 134½, knocked out Carlos Baby Vasquez, 133½, Colombia, in the second.

Undefeated flyweight Halario Diaz, 112, achieved a one-sided decision over veteran champion Hector Criollo, 112, in a non title bout, 10 rounds.

Nestor Rojas, 126½, defeated Alfredo Marcano, 126¾, in four rounds.

Luis "Lumumba" Estaba, 112, won over Enrique Calatayud, 112, in four rounds.

▸ **Caracas**—In the Palacio de los Deportes Jose Molina, 124½, won an unpopular eight round decision over veteran Camy Beto, 125, of Panama. Beto scored a knockdown in the second round.

Julio Viera, 134½, won by a TKO over Kid Galeano, 135, Nicaragua in the seventh round.

Vicente Paul Rondon, 157½, scored a TKO over Danny Machado, 160, in four.

Ladislao Arevalo, 144, and Hector Mendoza, 145, drew in four. Antonio Gomez, 122½, brother of Pedro, outpointed Julio Cordova, 121½ in four.

BOXING BITS FROM VIRGINIA

By Jack Levinson

Norfolk, Va.—After many complications, Nolan-Butcher Associates presented its first professional card at the Municipal Arena in Norfolk. The show offered many headaches to matchmaker Kirk Lee. Junior Hinton of New York, was the scheduled opponent for Oscar Freeman, but due to an eye injury could not appear and Lee substituted Bobby Herrington of New York.

The 10 round feature between Oscar Freeman, 165, Norfolk, and Herrington, 166, thrilled the fans. Herrington held a slight lead in the first 8 rounds. After which Freeman drew up on even terms. It was judged a draw.

Roland Pryor, 148, Washington, D.C., scored a TKO in the 5th round over Jimmy McLain, 151, Jacksonville, Fla. A cut over McLain's left eye caused referee Paddy Mills to end the contest.

Howard Moore, 137, Norfolk, lost the decision in a six round contest with Ron Harris, 135, Detroit.

Phil Smith, 198, Charleston, W. Va., won by a second round K.O. over Jimmie Jones, 196, Richmond.

Johnny Howard, 132, Richmond, won a 6 round verdict over David Mosby, 133, Roanoke.

▸ At the Arena in Richmond, Promoter Brooks Bowen presented an action-packed professional card.

In the 8 round feature bout, Billy Crowder of Petersburg won a unanimous decision over Alfonso Gillis of Durham, N.C. Crowder was in command throughout. This victory gave Crowder 12 wins against 2 losses.

Johnny Howard, Richmond, won a close but unanimous 8 round decision over David Mosby, Richmond, in the semi-windup. Mosby was dropped for the mandatory 8 count, just before the final bell.

George Leach of Lumberton, N.C. won a 6 round decision over Harold Nunn of Durham. They are middleweights.

Billy "Mole Man" Williams, Vineland, N.J., scored an easy win in four over Johnny Watson, Richmond. They are heavyweights.

▸ At Lynchburg's City Armory, the first professional boxing there in 20 years, took place.

In the 8 round middleweight feature, the decision was awarded to David Ryan, Washington, over Oscar Freeman, Norfolk. Ryan walloped Freeman in the final two rounds with left hooks.

In the semi-windup, Clyde (Skeeter) Tyler, South Charleston, W. Va., won by TKO in the 5th round over Kid Hurricane, Alexandria. Referee Ray Robrecht stopped the contest when Hurricane was dropped for the second time.

Welterweight Glen Martin, Charleston, W. Va., won the decision over Jack Tyree, Roanoke, in a four.

In a heavyweight bout, Phil Smith, Charleston, W. Va., won a split decision in six over Kid Saucer, Washington, D.C.

Lightweight Johnny Howard won another unanimous decision, over David Mosby, Roanoke, in six.

IN UPSTATE NEW YORK

By Charles Keese

Sodus, N. Y.—While the amateurs were kept busy in the Niagara District Golden Gloves finals at Buffalo, and in the War Memorial Arena in Syracuse where the Boys' Club matches were held, several of upper New York State's pro talent took to the road.

Dickie Di Veronica of Canastota, scored a six round kayo over Sweet Herbie Lee, in Washington, D. C.

Syracuse's light heavyweight, Horace Carrell, stopped Clay Thomas, of Paterson, N. J., in the sixth round in Worcester, Mass.

George Chuvalo, Toronto heavyweight, scored a T.K.O. over another Dick Wipperman in the third round at Akron.

Vic Brown lost a 6 round decision to Ray Anderson at Akron.

In McKeesport, Tony Ventura, 227 pound heavyweight from Buffalo, T.K.O.'ed Floyd Sweton in the first round.

Bobby Wartham, Buffalo, middleweight, dropped a ten round decision to George Johnson, Trenton.

In the amateur field, John Golden Boy Harp, won a decision over Brad Scott of Hamilton, Canada in a five round bout. In another meeting, Scott beat Harp in the finals of the Niagara District Golden Gloves Finals.

Heavyweight Nate Sanders of Syracuse was a victor over Jim Sanders of Ithaca and Ira Dancil of Syracuse kayoed Chuck Richards, Ithaca, in the third.

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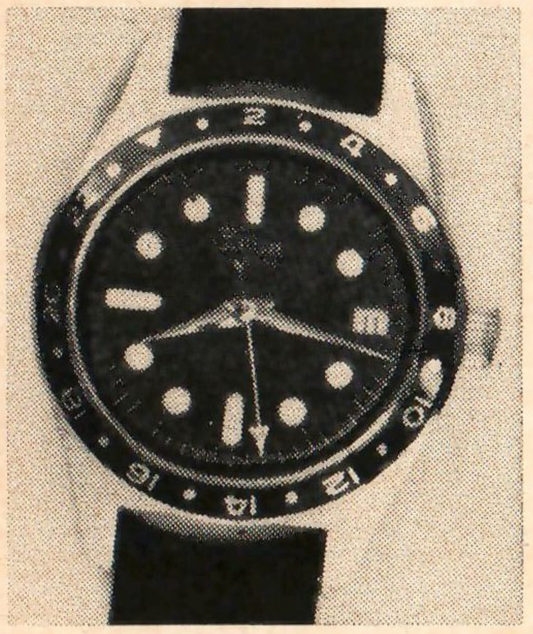

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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▸ **Santa Cruz,** Welterweight. Domingo Barrera beat Lelo Suarez who retired in round eight.
▸ **Barcelona,** Welterweight. Antonio Torres scored over Eduardo Romaniega the fight being stopped in heat three. Lightweight. Fernando Riera outpointed Angel Neches, 8. Welterweight. Tomas Castuera outscored Pedro Gomez Acebo, 8. Enrique Hoyos decisioned Antonio Lazaro, 8.
▸ **Barcelona,** Lightweight. Jose Forbe outpointed Hussan Mequinez, 8. Welterweight. Jose Riba outscored Valverde, 8.
▸ **Valencia,** Lightweight. Jose Legra outpointed Ameur Lamine, 10. Featherweight. Luis Aisa and Manuel Calvo shared points, 10.
▸ **Madrid,** Lightweight. Miguel Velazquez outpointed Bernard Zimond. Featherweight. Manuel Calvo and Rene Rourre finished all square at the end of their eight rounder. Bantamweight. Francisco Martinez outpointed Ben Amar, 8.
▸ **Madrid,** Welterweight. Carlos San Jose took just one frame to KO Leopoldo Escuin. Welterweight. Francisco Panos decisioned Ben Bachir, 8.
▸ **Barcelona,** Welterweight. Tony Falcon outpointed Vicente Ferando, 8. Lightweight. Enrique Hoyos beat Ben Ama, referee calling a halt in three.
▸ **Bilbao,** Heavyweight. Benito Canal was declared the winner in round seven when the third man took Francisco San Jose out of the fight. Lightweight. Angel Neches decisioned Jose Madraso, 10.
▸ **Santander,** Lightweight. Jose Torcida outpointed Joe Martin, 8.

FRANCE

La Rochelle, Welterweight. Giles Fincato outpointed Manfred Lessmann, 10.
▸ **Amiens,** Middleweight. Daniel Leuillier outpointed Liston Idowun, 8.
▸ **Cannes,** Jesus Zarco outscored Aki Chikke, 8.
▸ **Dunkirk,** Bantamweight. Marc Vanomme beat Achene Saifi, 8. Welterweight. Guy Vercoutter koed Roger Levegue in the third.
▸ **Paris,** Jacques Marty beat Pascaldi Di Benedetto, who retired in round eight and lost middleweight title. Featherweight. Felix Brami outpointed Paul Rourre, 10. Ray Adigun koed Joe Africa in sixth.
▸ **Marseilles,** Welterweight. Jo Gonzales koed Oscar Miranda in fifth. Lightweight. Paul Cosentino koed Tony Ray in five.
▸ **Villeurbanne,** Rene Rogue outpointed Jacques Kancellary over fifteen rounds to win vacant French flyweight title. David Pesenti forced Leonardo Dessi to retire in round eight.
▸ **Calais,** Flyweight. Kamara Diop outpointed Manuel Alvarez, 10. Featherweight. Jacques Jacob outpointed Roger Grizon, 8.
▸ **Vitry-Sur-Seine,** Lightweight. Paul Maolet forced Lucien Antkowiak to retire in five.
▸ **Troyes,** Middleweight. William Poitrimol beat Pierre Perrot, referee stopping the contest in round five.
▸ **Nantes,** Middleweight. Souleymane Diallo koed Jack Johnson in five.
▸ **Caen,** Middleweight. Jean Baptiste Rolland outpointed Sella Bukari, 10.
▸ **Montargis,** Featherweight. Michel Houdeau outscored Michel Cordier.
▸ **Chalons,** Robert Gallois koed Werner Hebeisen in round nine of their welterweight contest.
▸ **Paris,** Fight tickets in Paris usually range from 18 to 70 francs ringside and are the most expensive in Europe. These prices do not discourage the fight fans, for 18 shows this season have netted some two million francs. At the Sportpalast 5150 paid francs 175,000 to watch a get together between Marcel Cerdan, 30 wins in 31 starts, and Robert Gallois, who was undefeated in eighteen outings. This ten rounder ended in favor of Cerdan but did not go down very well with the crowd who felt Gallois deserved half the points.

Cerdan had an advantage in the first half but Gallois was the stronger and drew level in the last five frames. Cerdan, no doubt a great prospect, is not as robust and strong as his father was when he ruled the middleweight division.

Marcel Achardi's show continued with ex-champion, Souleymane Diallo outpointing American Art Hernandez over ten heats. Welterweight. Jean Claude Delgouve outpointed Georges Regnier in six frames. Super lightweight, Fioretti decisioned Roger Malezieux and featherweight, Assane Fakhy outscored Mastorillo, both over six heats.
▸ **Las Seyne,** Antoine Porcel and Giancardo Centa shared points over fifteen rounds for the French bantamweight title.
▸ **Argenteuil,** Aheene Saifi outpointed Louis Oberto, 8.
▸ **Roubatz,** Flyweight. Rene Libeer forced Wellington Vitela to retire in fifth.

BELGIUM

Ghent—2,000 saw light heavyweight, Lion Ven, Belgium, outpoint German Harry Kneipp over eight rounds. Last time they met points were shared. Middleweight. Dieter Klay, Germany, was disqualified for butting in round three against local Roger van Laere.

Carlos Vaneste, Belgian middleweight champion, has retired.

HOLLAND

Amsterdam—Holland's only promoter, Peter ter Meulen, staged a show at the Hotel Krasnapolski to a crowd of a thousand. How boxers and promoters survive in Holland I just don't know, for the taxman takes 20% from the promotion and 10% of each boxer's purse. Middleweight. Karl Heinz Klein, Germany, lost a disputed verdict in a six rounder with Joop Kruys. Werner Hallmann, Germany, lost an eight rounder on points to Toon Nagtegaal. Middleweight. Hans Meller, Germany, collected a cut lip against Roland Riedewald and retired in heat four. Light heavyweight. Jan Lubbers koed German Peter Donner in seven frames.

DENMARK

Copenhagen, Tom Bogs thrilled 4,000 with a win over ten rounds against Britain's No. 3 middleweight, Harry Scott. European champion Borge Krogh won a ten rounder against French Jacque Kancellary. Krogh would defend against Marcel Cerdan. Krogh's official challenger is, however, Jan Pedro Carrasco. Light middleweight. Lief Schmuker beat Joe Hurricane, Nigeria, who was disqualified in frame four. Heavyweight. Hans Jorgen Jacobson koed Louis Croes, Belgium, in the first. Light welterweight. Preben Rasmussen outscored Leon Zadourian, France, eight rounds.

FINLAND

Helsinki, European light heavyweight champion, Piero Del Papa, Italy, made a voluntary defense against Pekka Kokkonen and came out a clear winner over fifteen frames. The 7,500 crowd in the Ice Stadium were disappointed in the champion's performance but they were not aware that he had broken his hand. It was Papa's 31st victory in 37 fights, with 3 defeats and 3 drawn. Welterweight. Jarmo Bergloef and Gilberto Biondi shared points, 8. Heavyweight. Raimo Nisula decisioned Jo Juvilliers, 6. Kurt Mattson outpointed Gennaro Esposito, 6.

SWEDEN

Gothenburg—On the Liston-Bailey Card—Welterweight. Bo Pettersen's winning streak came to an end when he was outpointed by Johnny Cooke, 8. Theofil Pollex and Johnny Kramer shared points, 8. Harry Pitulainen beat Jacques Chiche the referee calling a halt in round three.

GERMANY

▸ **Berlin,** Germany's super lightweight champion, Conny Rudhof in a ten rounder beat the French based American, Johnny White. The visitor was floored in round two but survived to stay the distance. Heavyweight. Arno Prick, Germany, outpointed Gil Dieuldie, France, 6. Light heavyweight. Conny Velensek, Germany, outscored fellow German, Horst Benedens, 8. Middleweight prospects Hans Dieter Schwartz and Gerhard Piaskowy, both undefeated in fourteen starts, found their dreams of an early date with champion, Jupp Elze, fade. Schwartz retired at the end of frame four against Klaus Stockmann, Germany, and Piaskowvy was outscored by Horst Wieczorek over eight frames. German light heavyweight champion, Lothar Stengel outpointed Paul Roux, 6.
▸ **Fellbach,** Middleweight. Ulf Dahlen, Germany, lost to fellow countryman, Rainer Mueller, the towel being thrown in during heat four. Light heavyweight. Addi Millich lost a six rounder to southpaw Herbert Willems. Middleweight. Klaus Haevescher outpointed Karl Hein Nusser, 6. Heavyweight. Rudi Nehring and Manfred Ackers shared points, 8. Super Welterweight. Hartmut Genat outscored Wolfgang Breier, 6.
▸ **Kiel,** 6,000 were at Ostsee Hall where two features were scheduled for twelve rounds but neither went the distance. Gerhard Zech defended his heavyweight crown successfully for the fourth time since he won it in 1963, disposing of fellow southpaw. Peter Weiland in seven rounds. Weiland, with only eighteen bouts to his credit compared with the champion's forty, faced a task of this kind too early in his career. Also to his disadvantage was a long lay-off last year after being knocked down by a car in Hamburg. Lothar Abend, holder of the featherweight crown, stopped Paul Krucik in nine. Light heavyweight. Klaus Stockmann, Germany, outpointed Johnny Romsaas, Norway, 8. Arno Prick outscored fellow German, Peter Donner, 6. Dieter Klaner beat Jochen Hutt in four. Middleweight. Dieter Klay, Germany, koed Tore Hognero, Norway, in heat one.

MARYLAND'S MERRY MAULERS

By Joe Poodles, Sr.

Dick DiVeronica, Canastota, N.Y. onion farmer, came to Baltimore an underdog for his bout with Sweet Herbie Lee, Washington, D.C., but, after their bout ended in the sixth round at the Civic Center, with Lee just failing to beat the count, the squat, unorthodox mauler left the ring with cheers ringing in his ears. Only 1,885 paying customers showed up, probably feeling it would be just another win for Lee who had previously won 18 of 19 bouts. The fans missed the biggest upset scored in a Baltimore ring in many years. The net gate amounted to $8,022.

Lee was a confused youngster against the crouching, flailing bopster, who landed frequently with straight rights and looping left hooks. The officials had Lee in front by a slight margin. DiVeronica finished the bout with a crushing right that spinned Lee around and he fell. Referee Benny Goldstein's count reached two when the bell rang ending the round. Goldstein continued the count and at five Lee started to get up, only to fall over backwards as he tried to regain his feet.

Miguel Barretta, of Santurce, Puerto Rico, evened matters with Jerry Brewer of Baltimore. These two fought to a controversial decision in Brewer's favor a couple of months ago. This time the officials named him the 8 round winner by a lopsided score. Barretta had a pound pull in the weights at 142.

Ron Harris, 139½, of Washington, D.C. scored a unanimous 6 round decision over Roger Evans, 138½, of Philadelphia. Harris a former Olympic boxer is now undefeated in seven bouts.

Southpaw Billy Lloyd, 151, Philadelphia, looked sharp and smooth as he crushed Dot Dews, 152, Washington, D.C. in the second round of a scheduled sixer. Dews was down with a combination of shots in the first round and stayed down in the second heat when a southpaw shot dropped him.

Norman Smith, Washington, D.C. lightweight returned to the fistic wars by finishing in front of Johnny Howard of Richmond, Va. in six. Smith hadn't fought in a couple of years.

Baltimore's Jimmy Payne, 182½, scored his sixth straight kayo with a left hook in Rudy Robinson's pantry in the first round. Rudy scaled 174.

In the final four rounder heavyweight Adam Walker, 200, of Vineland, N.J., got the nod for the second time over Tony Fernandez, 189, of Baltimore.

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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Peter Cragg, Luton, 145½, stopped Ivor Drew, West Ham, 146½, in the third. Johnny Clark, Walworth, 118¼, stopped Tommy Connor, Glasgow, 119, in the seventh. Joe Barnes, Jamaica, 144½, defeated Tony Dowling, Northampton, 148, in the third. Referee Benny Caplan intervened after Dowling's eye was cut.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London**—Dick Duffy, Cardiff, 147½, was a lucky winner over Fred Powney, Doncaster, 149, who was well ahead, but suffered disqualification in the ninth for a low delivery. It looked as if Duffy's unbeaten record was going by the board, when he was put down for nine in the eighth. The same sort of thing happened in the ninth. Powney's accidental low blow robbed him of certain victory.

Jimmy Revie, Stockwell, 130½, gained a convincing win over George Evans, Cardiff, 127½, who was well beaten when he received a badly cut eye in the second, forcing the referee to intervene.

Charlie Wilson, Aldgate, 188, and Len "Rocky" James, Bristol, 198½, had a ding dong battle for eight rounds with honors even. Ron Cockett, Malden, 134½, stopped Dai Harris, Merthyr, 135, in the third.

▸ **CENTRAL SPORTING CLUB, Glasgow**—Winston Laud, St. Ives, 136, defeated John McMillan, Glasgow, 136, in an eight. A last round rally, in which the Scot was down for eight, clinched the verdict. . . . Brother Micky Laud, St. Ives, 147½, did not fare so well. He was outpointed by John's brother Don McMillan, Glasgow, 149, in eight. Alex Kelly, Wallyford, 187½, outpointed Barry Rodney, Jamaica, 189¾, in a heavyweight six. Derek Cowper, Johnstone, 160, outpointed Joe Somerville, Berkhampstead, 159, in six.

▸ **EMPIRE POOL, WEMBLEY**—Billy Walker, 190½, stepped out of his class when he made an attempt to wrest the European heavyweight title from Karl Mildenberger, Germany, 199. In the first 40 secs. of the bout, Walker suffered a badly cut eye as The German with his right arm extended, countered with his right to Walker's head, and his left eye seeped blood. Boxing scribes gave Billy an even chance, and that was the betting before the bell. This soon gave way to big odds.

Even Walker's best friends are asking the Blond Bombshell to call it a day, and enjoy his earnings of his five years as a professional.

Mark Rowe, Camberwell, 157¾, knocked out Willie Fisher, Glasgow, 157¼, in 2 mins. 45 secs. of the first. Pat Dwyer, Liverpool, 157¾, outfought James Shelton, U.S.A., 156½, and the bout was stopped in the fifth to save the American further punishment.

John McCluskey, Glasgow, 112¼, British Flyweight Champion, was lucky to receive the full honors over Lachy Linares, Dominica, 115¾, after ten uninspiring rounds. There was loud booing when referee Harry Humphries held up the hand of McCluskey as the winner.

Terry Daly, Battersea, 187, stopped Edgbert Johnson, West Indies, 200½, in the third. Billy Wynter, Antigua, 207½, outpointed George Wiggs, West Ham, 199½, in six. Billy Brown, West Ham, 146½, knocked out John Cooper, Portsmouth, 146¾, in the fifth. Bobby Arthur, Coventry, 146½, stopped Pat Walsh, Hammersmith, 149, in the third.

▸ Another landmark in British Boxing, closed its doors when Joe (Flight Sergt.) Bloom's Gymnasium had to call it a day. A new lease was offered at 350% more than he had been paying for 30 years. Joe was born in London, but spent most of his 71 years in South Africa. His Spot will be sadly missed, for it was situated in the heart of the West End, and many weigh-ins took place there.

▸ **WELSH BOXING CLUB, Porthcawl**—Another wine and dine club got under way when Brian Curvis, former British and Empire welterweight champion, staged his opening show with Ernie Fields, Wakefield, 178 and Charlie Wilson, Aldgate, 189½, substituted for Derek Richards, Welsh cruiserweight champion, who was injured in training. They served up a slugging match for eight rounds. There were no knockdowns. Referee Ike Powell scored 40 for Fields to Wilson's 38¼, which made Fields a good points winner.

Middleweight Dick Griffiths, 157½, lost his way coming to the club, and arrived just before midnight. Although putting up a game display against Carl Thomas, Cardiff, 158½, he ran out of steam in the third, and retired exhausted at the end of the round.

Bryn Lewis, Porthcawl, 138, making his first professional appearance, defeated Charlie Miller, Halifax, 136¼, in the sixth and last round. The referee halted the proceedings after Miller had suffered a badly cut eye. George Bowes, 127½, Hesleden, outpointed Southpaw Monty Laud, St. Ives, 125½, in eight.

▸ **BELFAST**—Promoter Barney Eastwood has certainly brought back boxing to Ireland. He again was rewarded with a packed house. Al Peter Sharpe, Belfast, 158½, was tested to the full by Dramane Ouedrago, West Africa, now domiciled in Paris, 157½. Dramane threw more punches than Sharpe in the ten rounder. Referee Billy Duncan awarded the decision to Sharpe. The fans thought different, and filled the ring with all kinds of fruit when the hand of The Local was raised as the winner.

The referee did not credit the West African for his open glove hitting. Score card read: Sharpe 49¾, Ouedrago 49¼.

The highlighter of the show was Sean McCafferty, Belfast, 119, who handled Carl Taylor, Richmond, Southern Area Bantamweight Champion, 118¾, with ease. Carl was outclassed. In the first Taylor suffered injuries to his nose, and was driven around the ring by the aggressive McCafferty. Referee Billy Duncan had his work cut out in prying Taylor loose until he had no other option but to send him back to his corner "Disqualified for persistent holding." A better decision would have been to stop the contest to save Taylor from further punishment. . . . Taylor was suffering from a broken nose.

Terry McTigue, Belfast, 157, was a good winner over Joe Bell, Granada, 159, in eight. Gus Farrell, Dublin, 150½, outpointed Joe Falcon, Market Harborough, 154, in an interesting eight. Johnny Speers, Belfast, 128, took 90 secs. of the first round to demonstrate his hard hitting against George Scott, Belfast, 126½, and the referee wisely intervened.

▸ **WYVERN SPORTING CLUB, Manchester**—Lloyd Walford, Jamaica, 177, surprised Dave Barber, Dublin, 176½, with a points defeat in eight rounds. Malcolm Lowe, Chesterfield, 123, stopped Joey Dando, Southport, 122, in the first. Sean Dolan, Manchester, 162, outpointed Bob Holdsworth, Barnsley, 157, in six. Billy Seseman, Liverpool, 144, stopped Pat O'Rourke, Doncaster, 142, in the first.

▸ **CLARENDON SPORTING CLUB, Hammersmith**—Ronnie Davies, Brighton, 137¼, gained a narrow points victory over Johnny McKenna, Southend, 142½, in a hard fought eight. Although referee Pat Floyd's decision was not well received, it was a just one, for Davies showed his superiority in the closing stages. Bunny Sterling, St. Pancras, 152½, outpointed Darkie Smith, Wolverhampton, 149¼, in eight. Peter Mitchell, Brighton, 139½, outpointed Lloyd Wallace, Jamaica, 140½, in six. Ron Cockett, Malden, 136, stopped Paddy Winter, Belfast, 136, in the second.

▸ **WOLVERHAMPTON**—Billy Gray, Walsall, 195½, suffered the second defeat of his career when he got a badly cut eye in the second round, and labored hard till the 10th, when the damage was too bad and referee Micky Fox declared Wendell Newton, Bahamas, 212½, the winner. Liam Clark, Birmingham via Dublin, 135, and Ivan Whiter, Tooting, 140, boxed a draw in eight. George O'Neill, Wolverhampton via Belfast, 135, outpointed Tommy Tiger, Leicester, 136¼, in eight. Al White, Forest Hill, 137¾, stopped Tommy McNeil, Catford, 138, in the fifth. Larry Brown, Birmingham, 154, knocked out Jimmy Stewart, Glasgow, 153¼, in the fifth.

▸ **WALWORTH**—Promoter Tommy Gibbons had another sell out when he staged the return contest between Hugh Lynch, Brixton via Jamaica, 162, against the popular former amateur Mark Rowe, Camberwell, 157½, in a scheduled eight. The 19 year old pig farmer turned fighter outpointed Lynch.

It was a thrilling set-to, with Rowe gaining a well deserved points win. Watching his performance on this night, I am more convinced than ever that Mark Rowe will win a British title.

When Rowe suffered a cut eye in the sixth, the referee stopped the contest to examine the cut eye, and then allowed the contest to proceed. Row stormed ahead to gain a clear cut victory.

Panther Cyril, Glasgow, via Nigeria, 157½, stopped Dave Wakefield, Hackney, 164¼, in the second. Referee Caplan intervened to save Wakefield from further punishment. Steve Elliston, Bermondsey, 125¼, outpointed Malcolm Lowe, Chesterfield, 125¼, in six. Barry Rodney, Jamaica, 195¼, forced referee Tommy Rice to intervene in the third to save Terry Feeley, Glasgow, 190, from further punishment. Joe Barnes, Jamaica, stopped Mickey Brookes, Camberwell, in the fifth of a welterweight bout.

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, London**—Roger Tighe, Hull, 190, who won The Gold Medal in the 1966 Empire Games as a cruiserweight, enhanced his reputation with a win over Alex Kelly, Glasgow, 195½, who was stopped in the fourth. The Scot belted the Welshman around in the first two rounds, but from then on the southpaw from Wales got his sights on Kelly's mid-riff. When Kelly was in difficulties during the fourth, referee Harry Humphries called a halt to save him from further punishment. . . . John O'Neil, Glasgow, 136, outpointed Dennis Bonsor, Derby, 138, in six.

▸ **WORLD SPORTING CLUB, London**—Felix Brami, Jewish bantamweight from Tunisia, now resident in Paris, 120½, was too experienced for the up and coming Sean McCafferty, Belfast, 118½, in their 10 round bout. The 22 year old Irish lad put up a creditable performance. In the latter part of the contest experience told. Brami, concentrating on the body and putting his punches together, had McCafferty staggering around the ring in the last two rounds. The Irish Bantam was forced to take a count of two in the final round, and by courage alone managed to last the distance. McCafferty showed enough form to warrant the opinion that he will be back again among the winners. He has won 11 out of 13.

Terry McTigue, Belfast, 157¼, ran out of steam against Clarence Cassius, Jamaica, 155½, in the fifth after a hard hitting contest, and it was no surprise when referee Bill White called it a day, as McTigue offered no defence. Lex Hunter, Bermondsey, 137, fought back gamely against Dave Rainey, a hard puncher from Belfast, 132¾, and pulled the fat out of the fire in the third with a short punch to the Irish lad's jaw, which put the latter down for a count. Referee John Irvine saw that he had not recovered from that knockdown, and intervened to save Rainey from unnecessary punishment. . . . The Irish contingent claimed one solitary victory with the promising Gus Farrell, Dublin, 149½, who was having his fourth paid bout. He outpointed the experienced Fred Powney, Doncaster, 147½, in a fast eight.

▸ **ALDERSHOT**—Chuck Henderson, Durham, maintained his unbeaten record in his twelfth appearance, and made it nine inside the distance wins when he stopped Chris McAuley, Belfast, in the third. Referee Bill Williams stopped the contest after McAuley had taken too much punishment. The Irish welter was a late substitute.

Brian Bissmire, West Ham, outpointed Ron Elliott, Hackney, in a bantam eight. Tony Monaghan, Derry, outpointed Fred Drinnan, Bristol, in a cruiserweight six. Ron Cockett, Malden, outpointed Lloyd Wallace, Jamaica, in a lightweight six. Ray Fallone, Battersea, outpointed Wally Williams, Jamaica, in a welterweight six.

Patterson Needs 2:37 To Stop McMurray

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Boxing got a terrific "boost" here recently. The fans got a fleeting glimpse of former champion Floyd Patterson. He took 2 minutes 37 seconds to stop Bill McMurray. Sonny Liston did an even faster job on Patterson, stopping him in 2:06 and later in 2:10.

Patterson stunned McMurray and dropped him to his knees with a left. Moments later a combination ended the so called fight.

Patterson was to go on to a second meeting with Cassius Clay, at Las Vegas. But it was cancelled, for good and sufficient reasons.

While Patterson was belting McMurray, Liston was stopping Dave Bailey, the erratic, before 400 Swedes.

HURLEY'S NEW HEAVYWEIGHT KNOCKS OUT NORWEGIAN

By Tommy Lefebvre

Spokane, Wash.—Jack Hurley's new heavyweight, Boone Kirkman, and Lars Norling, of Norway, engaged in the main event of an interesting card in the Spokane Coliseum, with Kirkman ending the bout in the second round. Norling's seconds stopped the bout due to a severe cut and damaged ribs. The Norwegian didn't put up much of a fight.

In the semi-windup, Larry Buck, 161, Seattle, won a close decision over Mike Seyler of Springfield, Oregon. Buck is from Seattle. Seyler was cut over the right eye in the fourth round of a six rounder.

Gary Holiday of Seattle, fought a draw with Gene Green of Spokane in six rounds.

Jesse Tuchek of Seattle, 157, won a close one in four from Tom Gross, 154 of Missoula, Mont. It was a rough, action-packed bout.

In the curtain raiser of four, Terry Beeler, 187, of Clarkston, Wash., was stopped by Jack Nelson, 197 of Missoula. Beeler was down twice in the first round, and was knocked out in 1.51 of the second.

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NEWS FROM SUNNY AUSTRALIA
By Ray Mitchell

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA—Australian bantamweight champion Lionel Rose easily outpointed former Italian bantam champion Nevio Carbi at the Melbourne Festival Hall. Rose won nine of the ten rounds.

▸ At the same venue, Australian featherweight champion Johnny Famechon, 126¼, gained a points win over Mexican Roberto Wong, 126. Wong was aggressive but better boxers than the Mexican will have to be brought here for our feather king.

▸ Former national bantam champion Noel Kunde gained a narrow points win over American Ray Perez at Ipswich, over ten rounds. This was their sixth meeting, and the score stands at three each.

▸ At HSV Channel 7 TV studios, South Melbourne, Mick Croucher, 154, won a comfortable victory over Arthur Larrigo, 157, in eight rounds. Sixteen days later, Croucher pulled an upset in outpointing leading middleweight contender Bob Murdoch over ten at the South Sydney Leagues Club, Redfern. The decision was close. Jimmy Carruthers refereed.

▸ Rising lightweight Neville Kennedy gained a comfortable points win over Jack Artinian in ten at the North Sydney Leagues Club. Kennedy is coming along well.

▸ Artinian saddled up a week later at South Sydney Leagues Club, and stopped Geoff Bunny in the fourth round. Both weighed in at 139. Bunny withdrew with an injured shoulder.

In the second ten, Domenico Scalco, 129, knocked out Col Gee, 130, in the eighth round. Scalco dominated the fight.

▸ Welterweight Ben Brizzi turned in a good performance in halting Jimmy Edwards, 154, in the fifth round of the main at HSV 7, on April 3. Brizzi shows promise.

▸ Arthur Larrigo reached the winning list by beating Norm Regan over ten rounds at North Sydney Leagues Club. Larrigo is a hard puncher. He makes the good ones move at their best but seldom wins.

▸ Drago Barific, 187, gained a slim victory over former Australian heavyweight champion Peter Leaney, 188, in a N.S.W. State title fight over ten rounds at Armidale. Barific's left hand won him the decision in the closing rounds. Unfortunately for Barific, he suffered an eye cut which will keep him out of action for a few weeks. The winner was to meet Dave Cullen for the vacant Australian heavyweight title at Burnie, Tasmania, on April 15, but with Barific's eye cut, Leaney received the fight.

Leaney showed vast improvement and easily won the first five rounds. The sixth was even. Leaney made the mistake of leading with the chin in the seventh. Cullen threw his right and down went Leaney. He regained his feet at nine but was dazed, I stopped the fight.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

Fel Pedranza, 143¼, in his Honolulu debut, made a big hit with local fans, especially the Filipinos, by coasting to an easy ten round decision over Heneli Sete, 141¼, at the Honolulu International Center ring.

Known best for his knockout victory over Paul Fujii, whom he knocked out last July in Osaka, Japan, in the 8th round. Pedranza lived up to his reputation as a terrific body puncher. His left proved his most potent weapon. Throughout the fight, he punished his game Tongan opponent with solid body blows.

The decision favoring the Filipino puncher was one-sided with Sete being credited with only one round.

This was the first fight card of the year held in Honolulu and it was promoted by the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd. It drew an unexpected good house of 4,336 fans and grossed $13,524.00.

In one of the two ten round supporting bouts, Frankie Crawford, 127¼, knocked out Ric Penalosa, 135½, in the 9th round. In the other, Ray Greco, 154½, of Los Angeles, easily outpointed Ben Argoncillo, 158, of the Philippines.

Dennis Clement, 146½, highly touted local amateur champion, fighting his second pro fight, was TKO'ed in the 3rd by Miguel Aguilar, 148.

Teddy Doi, 118¾, was held to a draw by Paul Sebastian, 123¼, in the 4 round opener.

▸ Earlier this year Stan Harrington, for twelve years the outstanding drawing power and main eventer in Honolulu rings, announced his retirement. Now thirty-three years old, the former welterweight champion of the Islands, decided to hang them up when he found out it was getting harder and harder to get into shape.

Highly respected for his gentlemanly behavior at all times the modest father of eight children was recently honored and commended for his contribution to Hawaii by the state legislature.

Though he never became a champion, Harrington held high national ranking in the welterweight division for several years. With the possible exception of Bobo Olson, Harrington probably is the best known fighter developed in the Hawaiian Islands.

SPOKANE AREA RING NEWS
By Tommy Lefebvre

The Inland Empire Golden Gloves championships were held at the Lapawi Indian Reservation, Lapawi, Idaho, before large attendances, with the following champions crowned:

Novice—105—Dick Pearson (Seattle); 112—Ron Mulvey (Spokane); 119—Dave Gregory (Richland); 125—Dick Varvell (Richland); 132—Larry Verwolf (Sandpoint); 139—Tim Cliff (Lewiston); 147—Gene Hallen (Everett); 156—Lem Mitchell (Lewiston); 165—Lannie Allan (Spokane).

Senior—119—Alex De La Pena (Spokane); 125—Bill Dillon (Spokane); 139—Bob Devine (Spokane); 147—Tom Yake (Spokane); 156—Dave Stark (Dayton); 165—Bob McCormack (Lewiston); 178—Jim Ermfinger (Dayton); Heavy—Larry Manthy (Dayton). McCormack was named Golden Boy, and Dayton won the Senior team title and Richland the Novice team title. The tournament was directed by Jim Grow a former outstanding Northwest Pro boxer.

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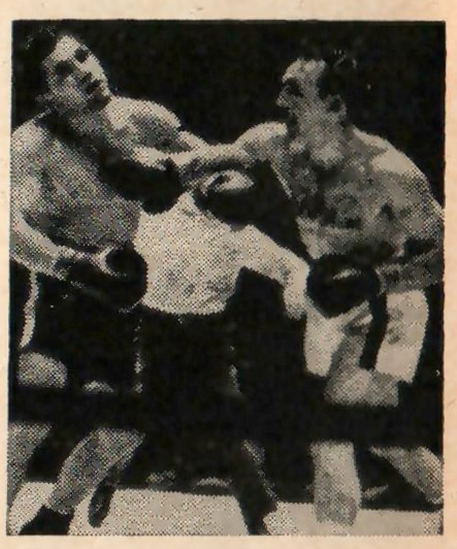

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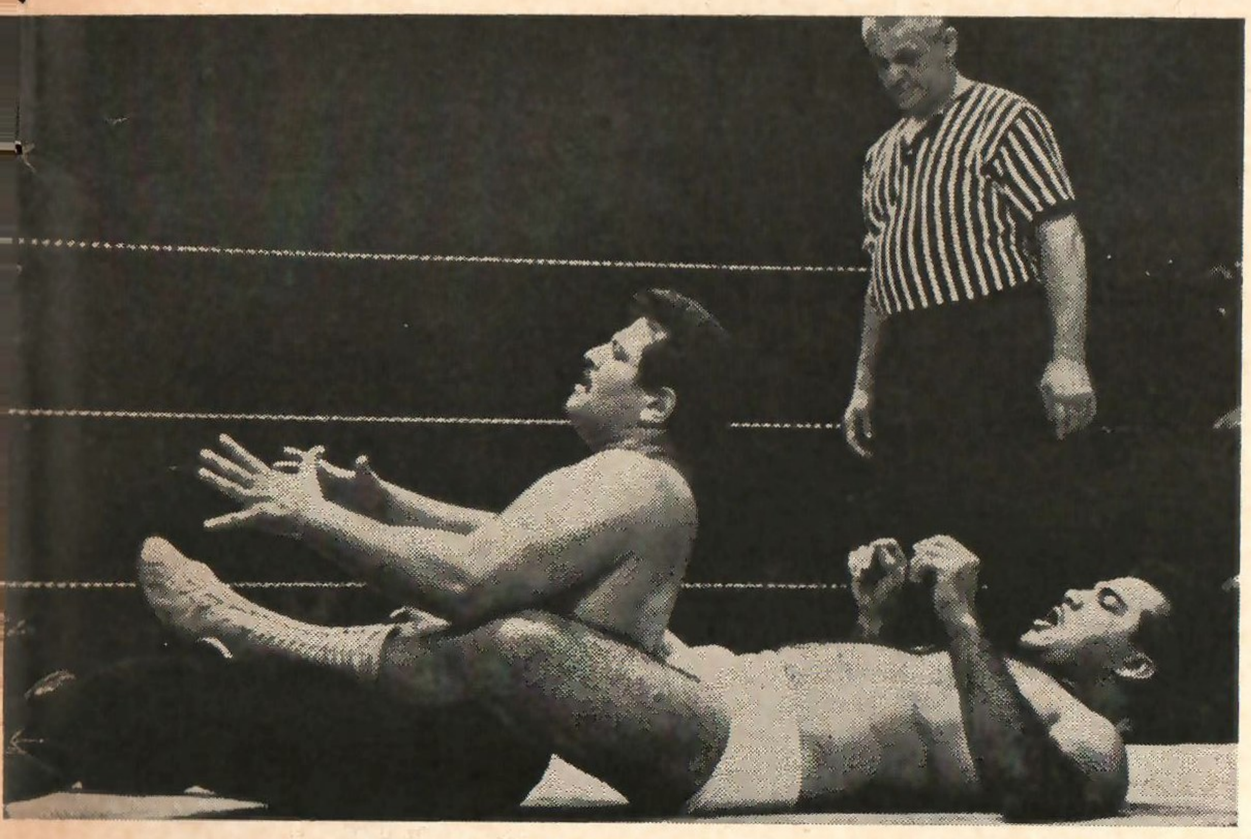
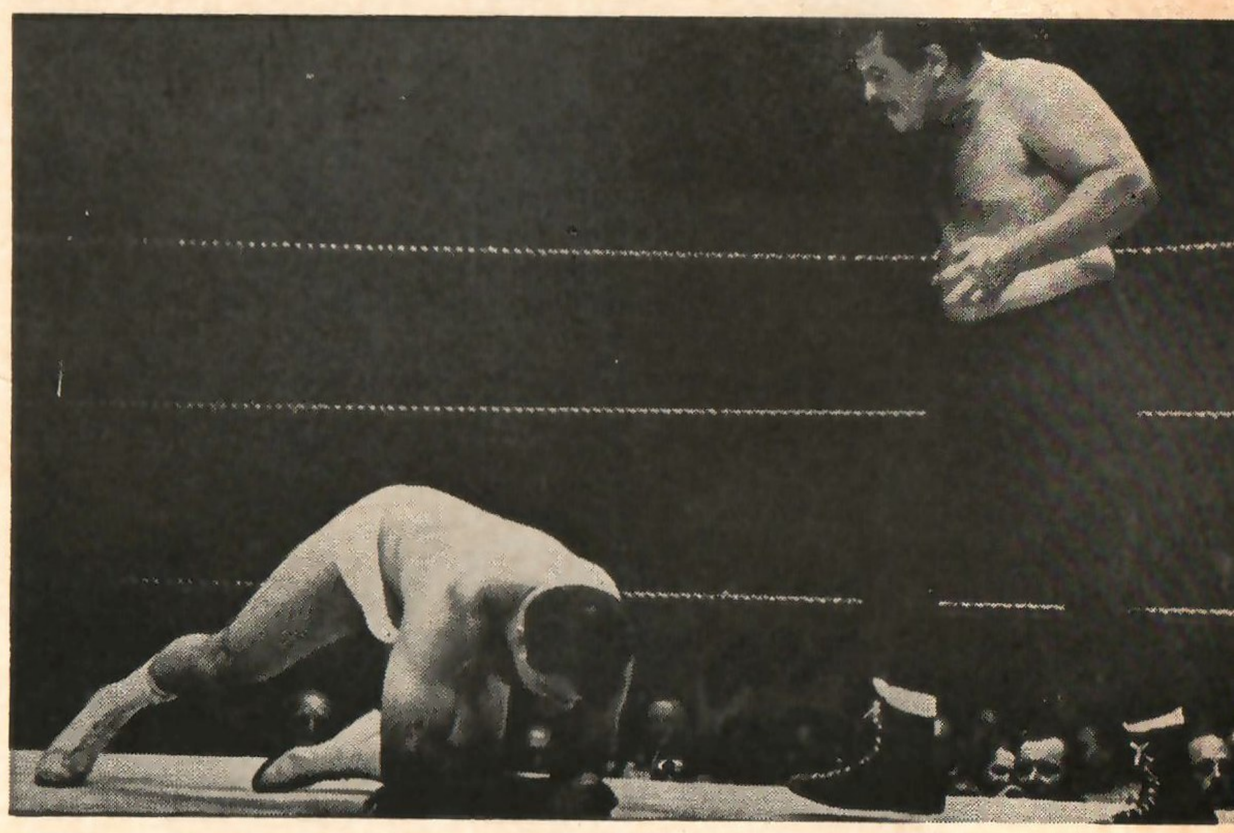
Getting Bashed For Cash Albano's Destiny



Here is Albano at work against Perez, with Eddie Moore the third man. Lou just has landed on the deck. But he will not stay there for too long a time.



Lou has tossed Perez with a loud thud and Miguel is half stunned while the fans shout their disapproval. They do not want to see Albano win.

By SAM COHEN

HE WAS born in Rome but "Arrivederci Roma," won't make him nostalgic. He left for the United States at the age of two. His father was a doctor, but our boy elected the less-refined occupation of professional wrestler. He was on a University of Tennessee football team that played in the Cotton Bowl. He was threatened at a Chicago mat show by a venomous fan who came to ringside with a gun.

These are romantic and dramatic phases in the career of bash-for-cash grappler Lou Albano, of Mt. Vernon, N.Y., a 33-year-old veteran of more than a decade of campaigning in his violent line of endeavor. Because he has been a ruffian type, he recalls the storm of abuse his ring habits have aroused, topped by the Chicago incident; and injuries in the line of work.

"This guy in Chicago had a loaded .22 covered up in the halves of an Italian bread," he explains. *"The cops grabbed him just in time."*

There were other escapes, either alone or paired with Tony Altomare, of Stamford, Conn., a few years ago under the moniker of "The Sicilians."

"Many a time there were police escorts for protection; or leaving dressing rooms by windows or back doors to get away from angry fans," Lou points out. It still goes on.

Scars on his forehead and a forearm are outward reflections of the occupational hazards Lou encounters and the physical toll he must pay. In an estimated 1,800 bouts, he has suffered two broken ribs and a chipped clavicle; fractures of the ankle and wrist; torn cartilage; and numerous lacerations. The ribs-and-clavicle damage was the worst. *"It put me out of action for almost a year," Lou reveals.*

Lou is the oldest of a brood of four sons and a danghter born to the late Dr. Carmine Albano and his wife.

"I went to high school and had a year of college," Lou relates. *"Two of my brothers are teachers and the other attended Wagner College. My sister is in high school."*

Lou was a good lineman at Archbishop Stepinac High in White Plains, N. Y., and received 33 college scholarship offers.

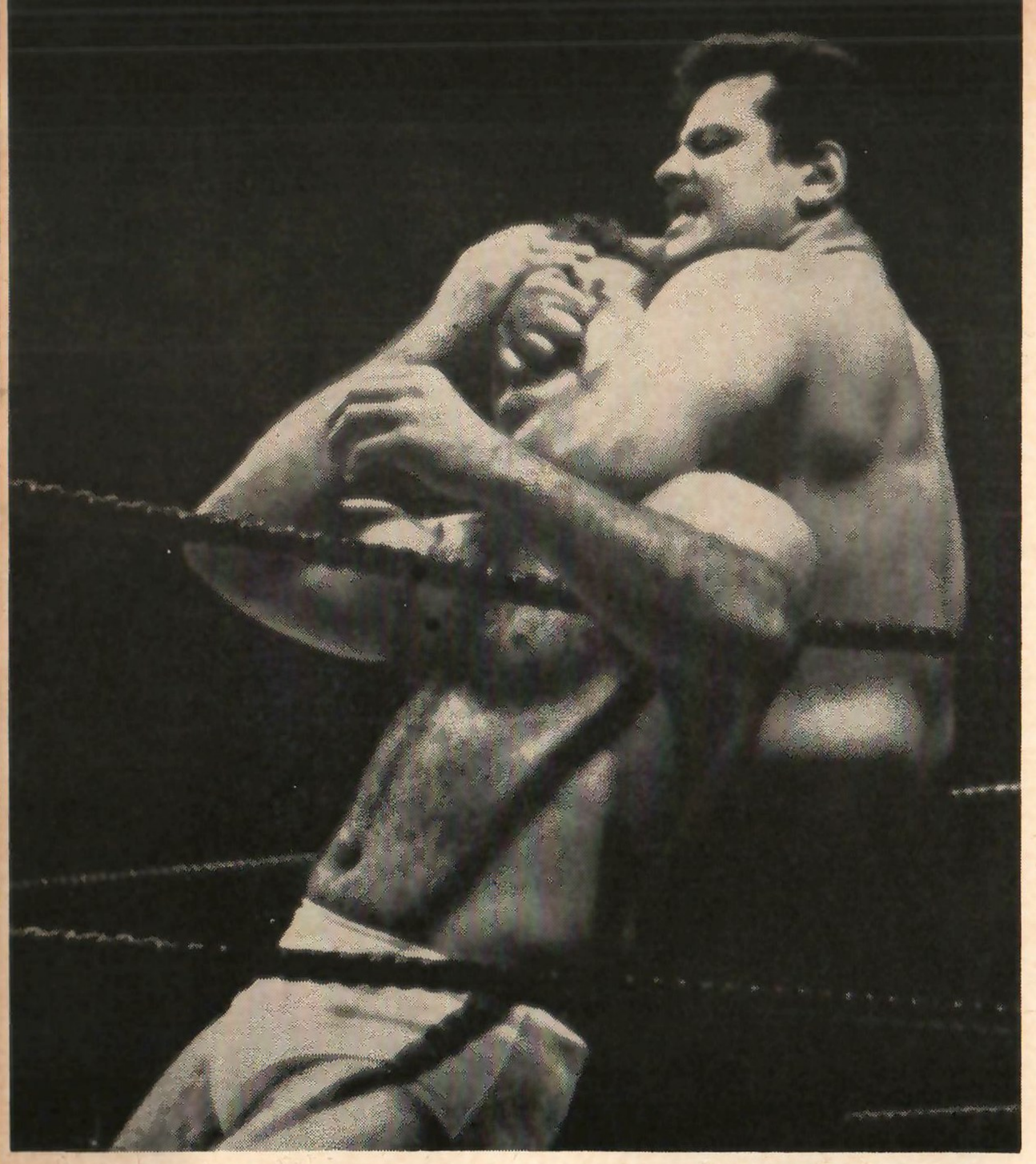
Lou went to the University of Tennessee for one year, entered the Army for two years of service, then married his high school sweetheart, Geraldine Tango. They have a son aged ten and two daughters, eight and two years old, respectively.

Lou's profession is the realization of an ambition of younger days. *"When I was playing football, I thought of becoming a pro player or wrestler. And, in a way, it comes naturally. My father wrestled for the University of North Carolina before he went to Rome to study medicine."*

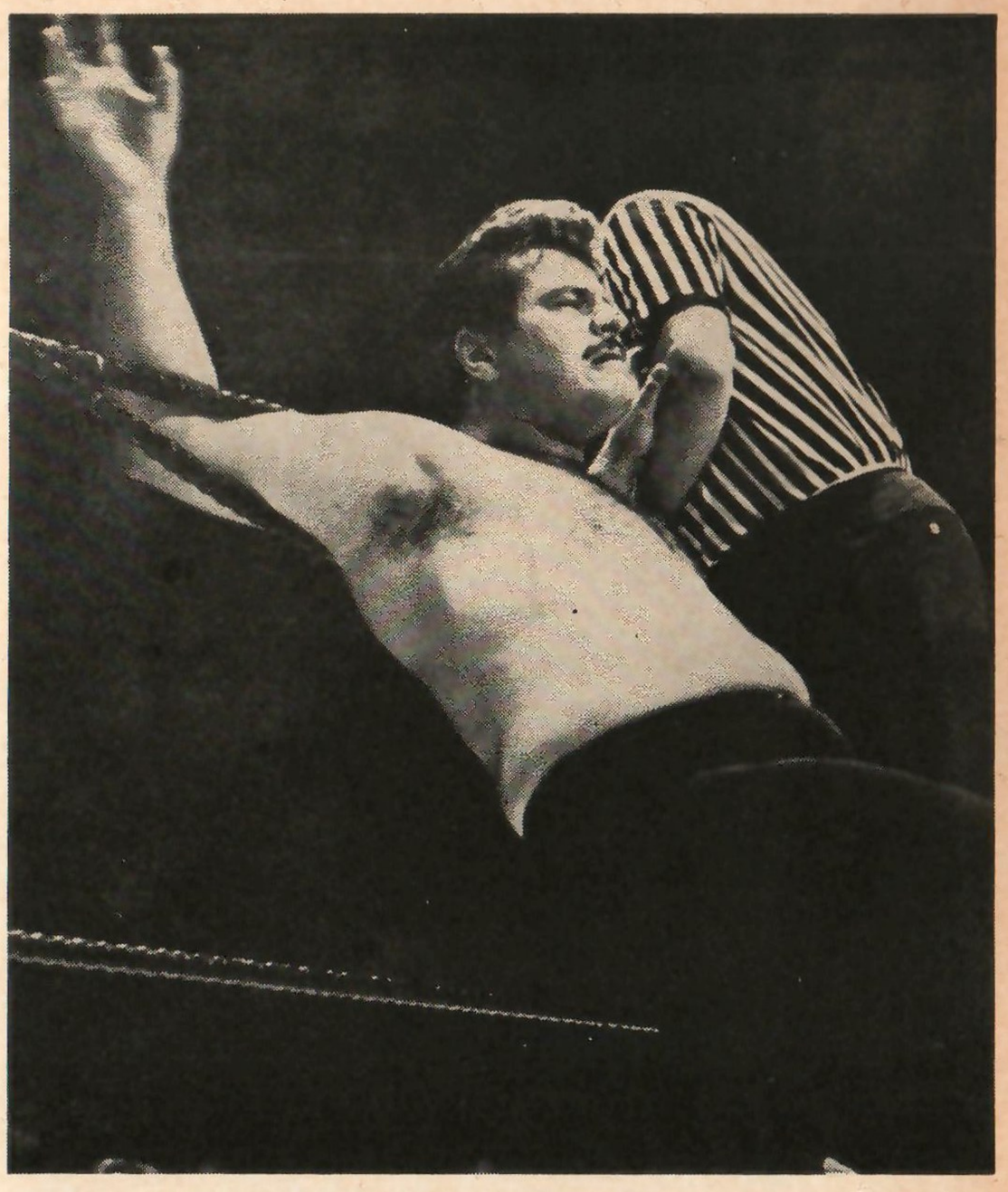
Albino is a broad-shouldered 235-pounder with a moustache. He is particularly proud of that two-year period when he and Altomare battled as "The Sicilians" and were good enough to get a title shot at the then world-champion "Fabulous Kangaroos" in a Chicago bout.

Lou has worked over a wide territory. He has battled a long list of "name" opponents over the years, including WWWF champ Bruno Sammartino.

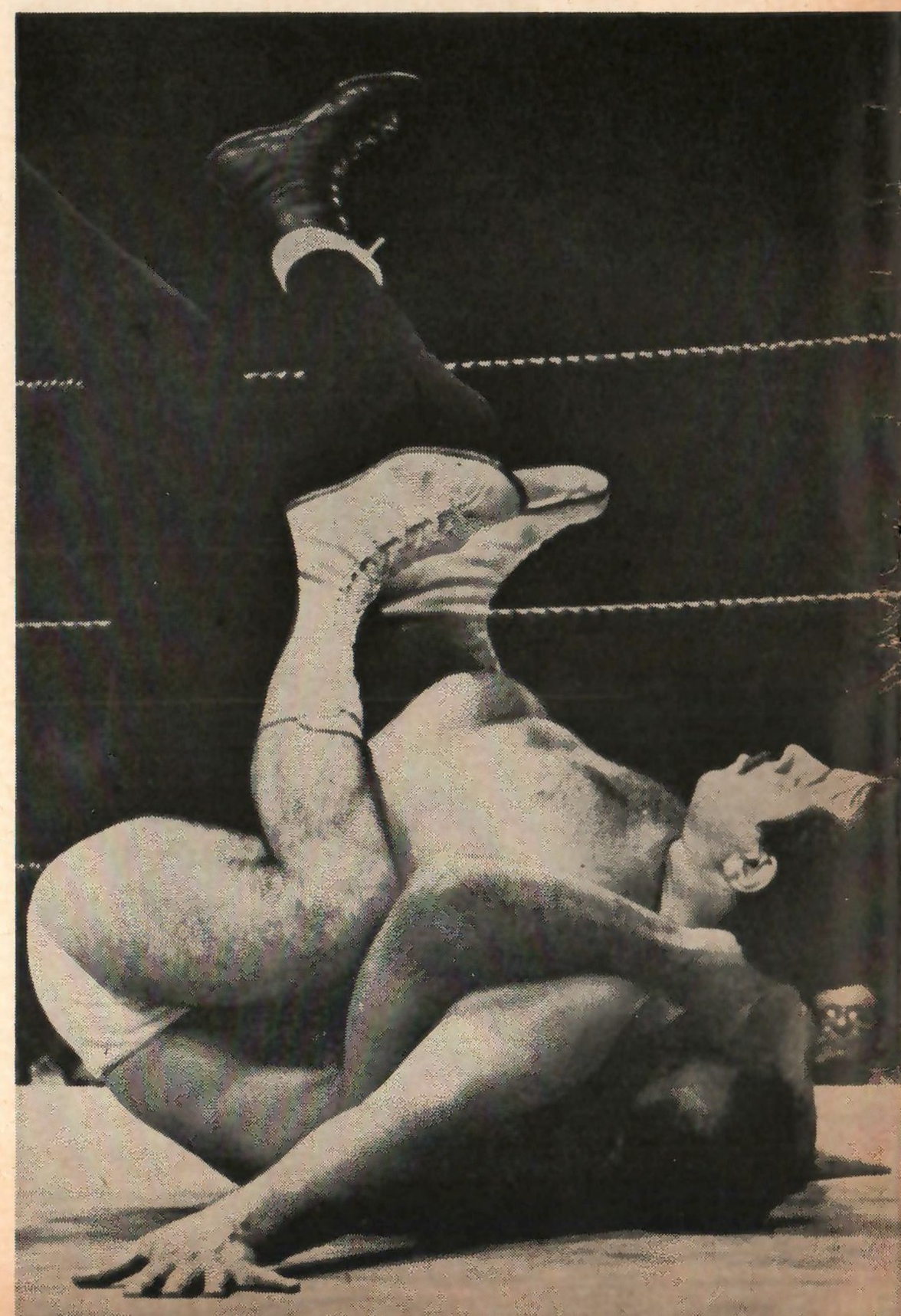
Besides wrestling for a living, Lou operates two cabs in Mt.



If this shot gives you the impression that Albano is gouging Perez's eyes out, you have the right slant. Miguel is hollering murder but referee Moore can see nothing amiss.



Top, Albano tangled up with the ropes. Referee Moore wants him doing more profitable exercises and is extricating Lou. Below, Albano and Perez are involved in a helter-skelter brawl.



Vernon, using a helper and working part-time himself.

His philosophy as a pro wrestler is a simple one: *"I'm in there to do my best and try to win all the time—and naturally, as a husband and father, to make money."*

"Losers don't make money. Only winners. Once that bell rings and sends me on my way against an opponent he had beter be ready physically and mentally to take the kind of punishment I can dish out," continued Albano.

"I know most of the people who come to an arena come to see me be pinned. Well, they better forget about that nonsense because when Lou Albano is right he is too much for any wrestler in the ring today.

"The only reason I'm not champion is because none of the champs will put their title on the line against me in a battle to the finish.

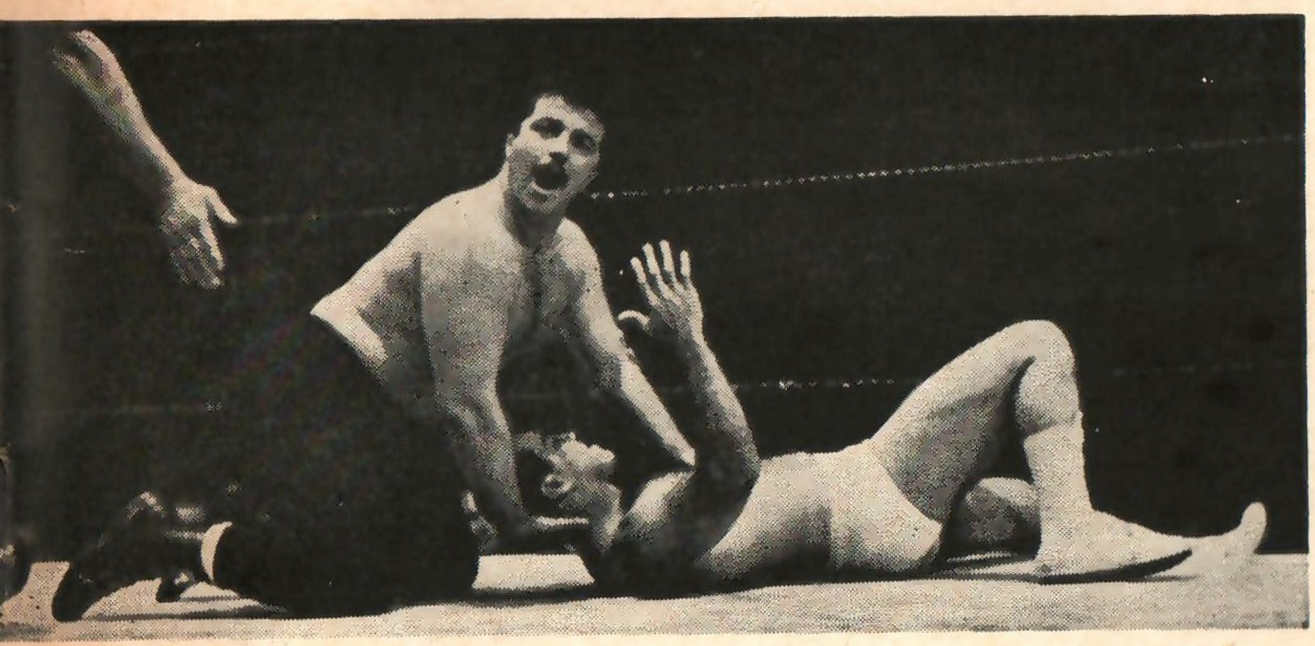
"If I ever get a shot at the championship you can bet your money on me. Money, that's what counts in this here world. Only winners wind up with money. If I could get Sammartino or some of those other slobs who claim titles into the ring with me I could win and wind up independently wealthy.

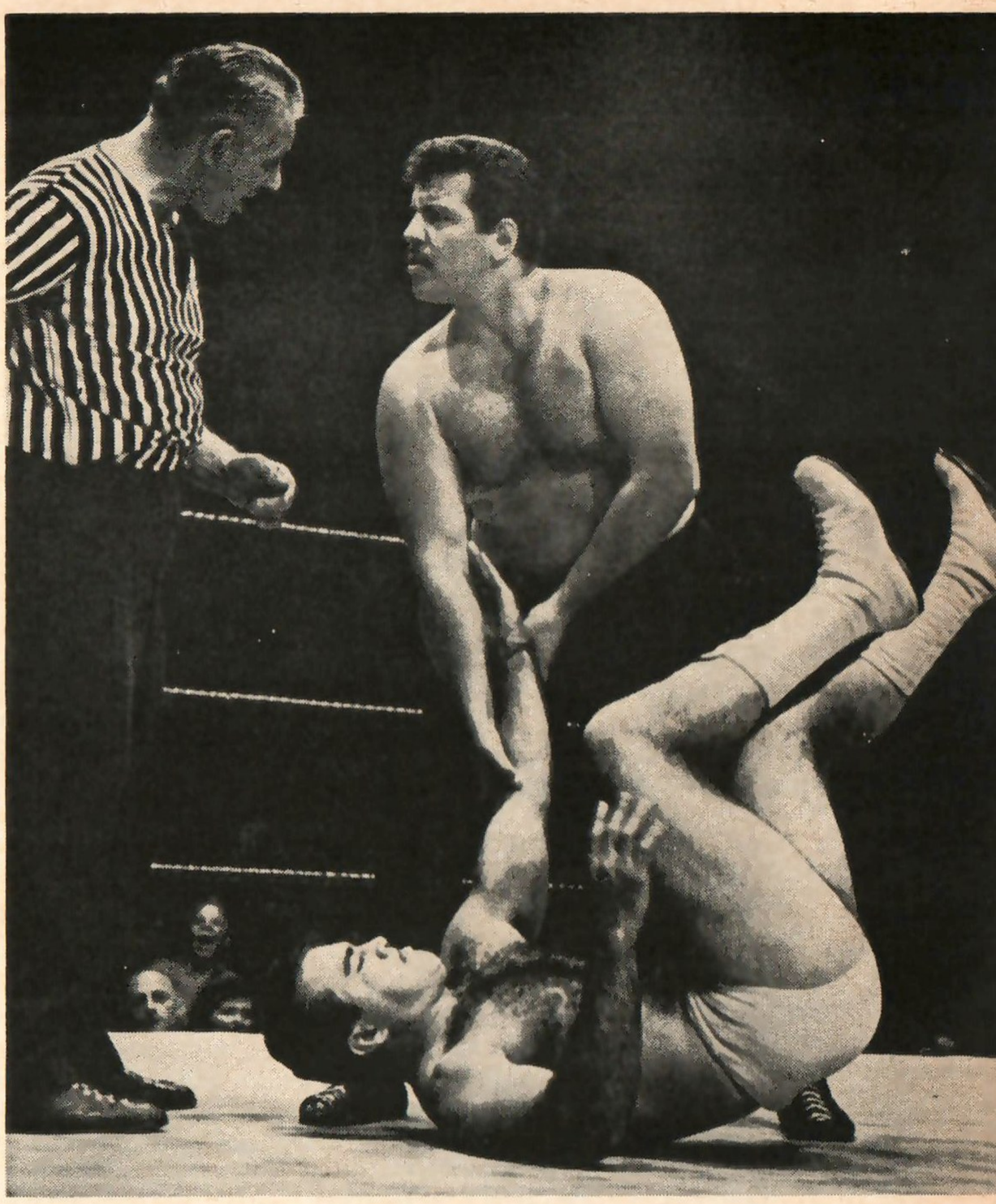
"But, until that happens, I'll have to divide my time between wrestling and operating my two cabs in Mt. Vernon. I can't think of two tougher ways of making a living than wrestling and cab driving.

"I'll admit I don't drive the cabs too much, "Albano confided, "But I have been behind that wheel often enough to find out there are a lot of easier ways of making a living than driving a cab.

"When you deal with the public you are dealing with a tough commodity. You get all kinds of people in cabs. There are tough guys, wise guys, punks, drunks who don't want to pay, and women who don't know where they're going.

"In fact," continued Lou," a man who wrestles and drives a taxicab is in a similar position. They both have to put up with





"He's down, what more do you want?" Albano screams. But Referee Moore refuses to call it a pin. To the right, Lou continues to mistreat Miguel but the ref simply will not call it a fall. The house backs the ref.

crackpots. The answer to this is in knowing how to handle people.

"My method is to bust their heads open. That's about the only thing most people know. You give them that brute force stuff and they get the message immediately. Treat them nicely and they'll eat you for bread.

"Of course, I enjoy wrestling much more than driving a taxicab," opined Lou. "I'll admit I got a nasty temper. I can get this out of my system in a wrestling match because I can go all the way with an opponent once I have him at my mercy.

"I don't dare get like that with customers who get out of line. If I did I'd be held for homicide.

"But I gotta say one thing for the people of Mt. Vernon. There are more gentlemen and ladies in that town per capita than in any other city in the world.

"Business is good. It will get even better if I can win the championship because everybody will want to ride in a cab owned by the wrestling champion of the world," concluded Albano.

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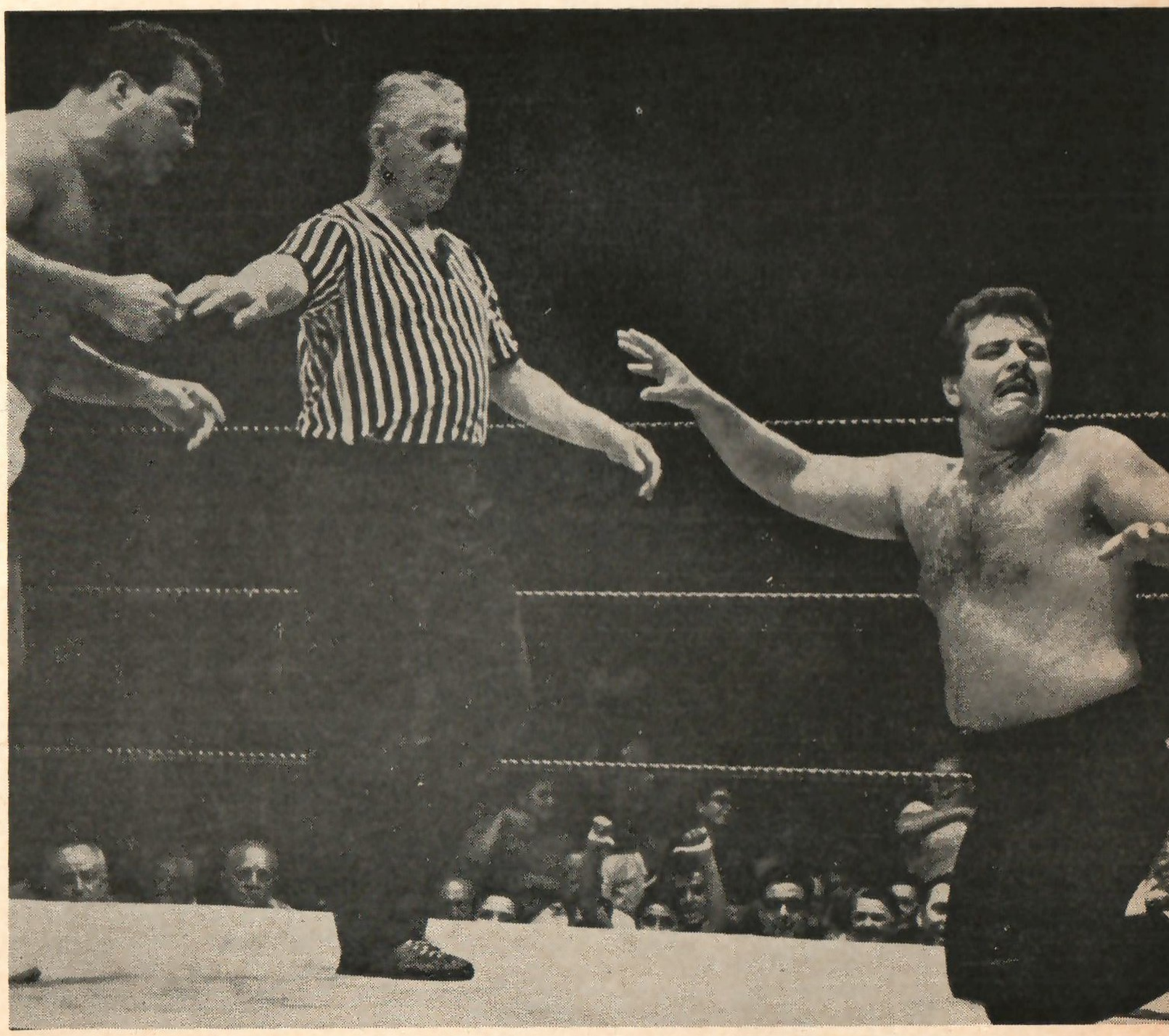

Albano has been gouged, kicked, bashed, belted and otherwise mauled and is complaining to Moore. But the customers are laughing, and Albano, a great actor, tries to make them believe he is blind, and suffering beyond human endurance.

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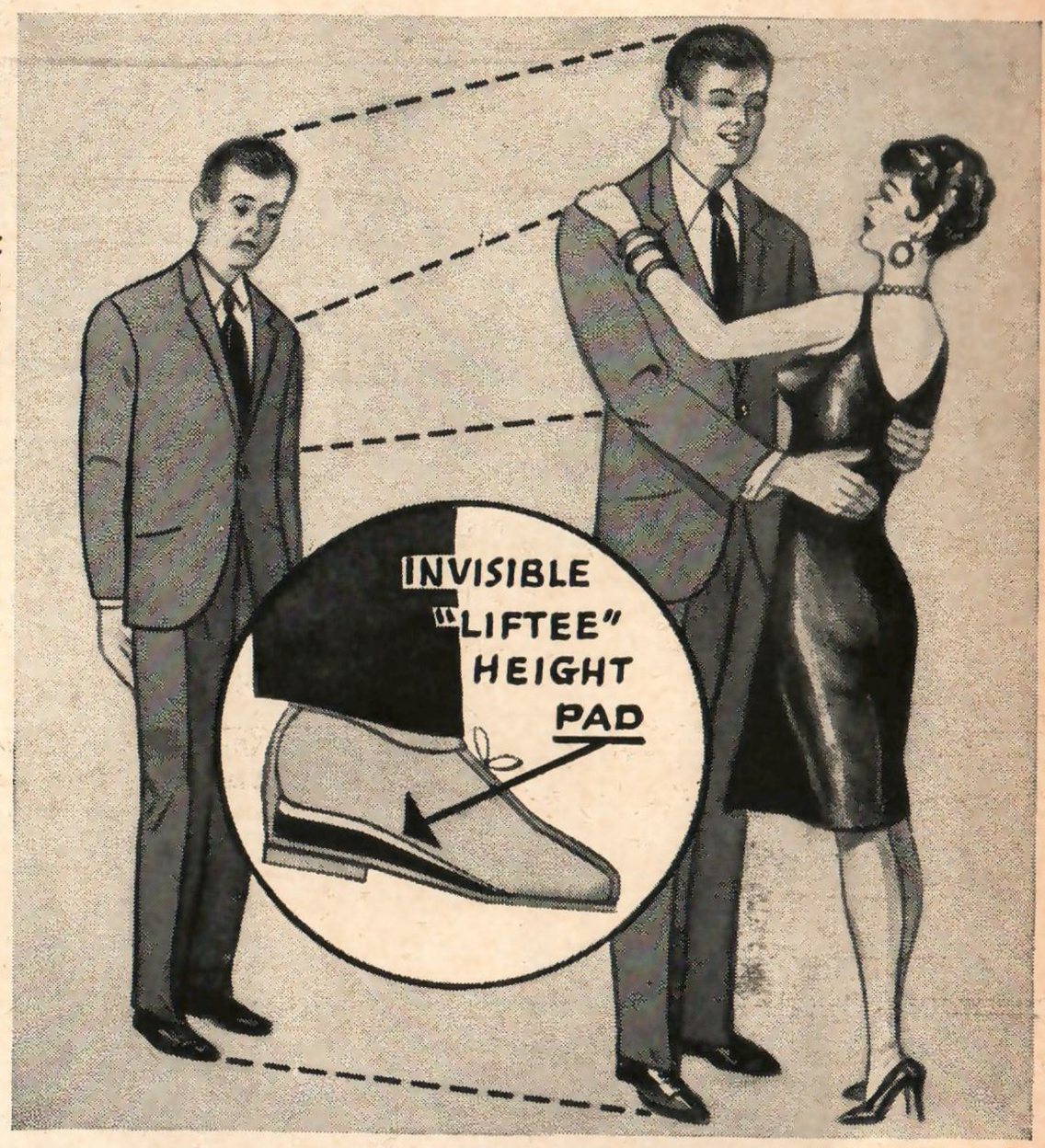

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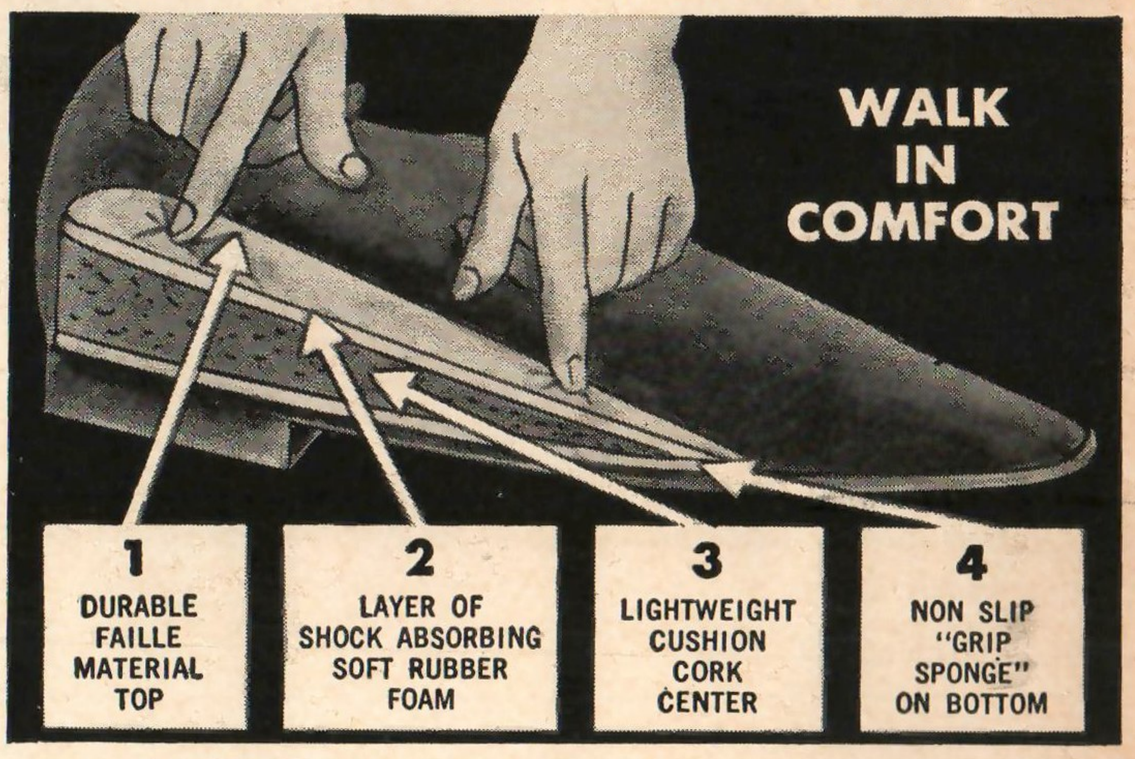

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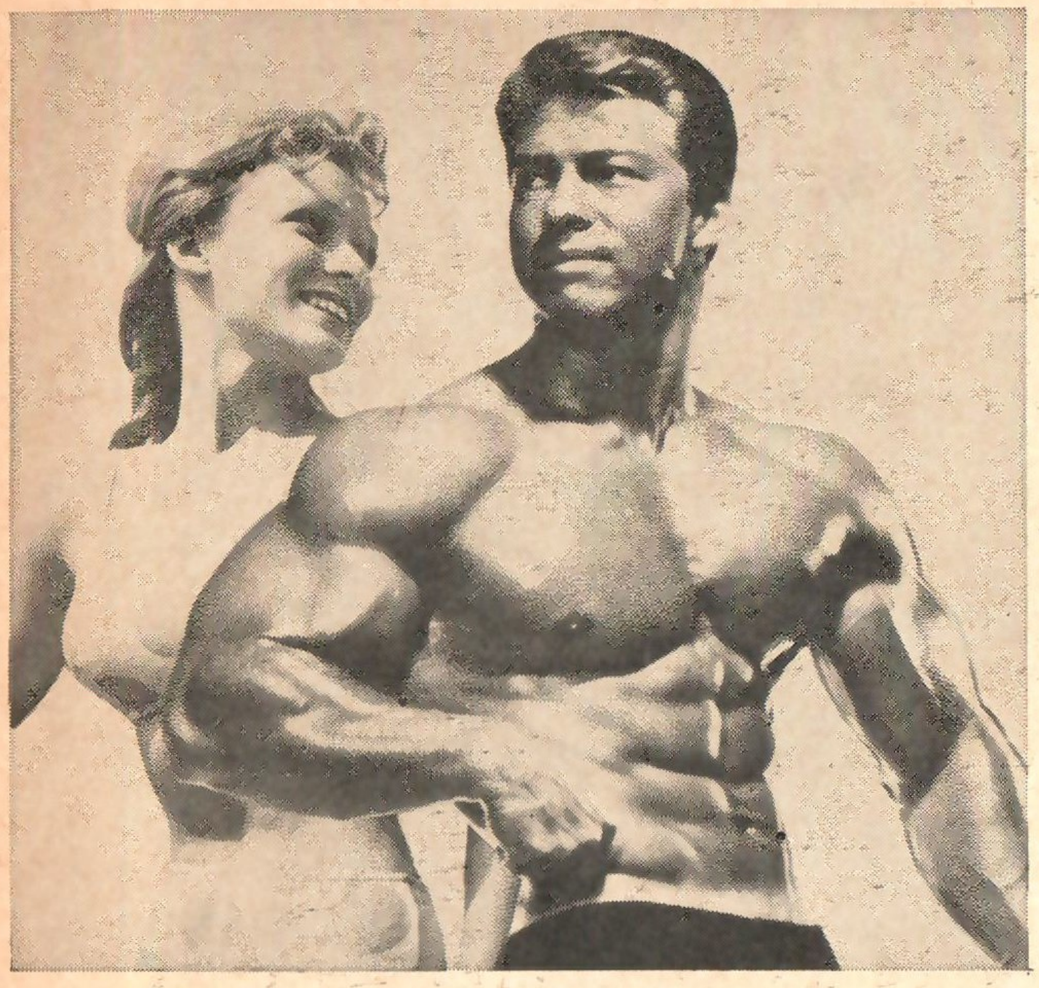

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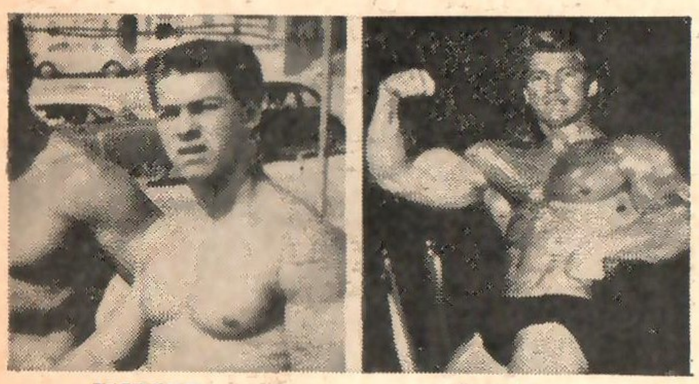

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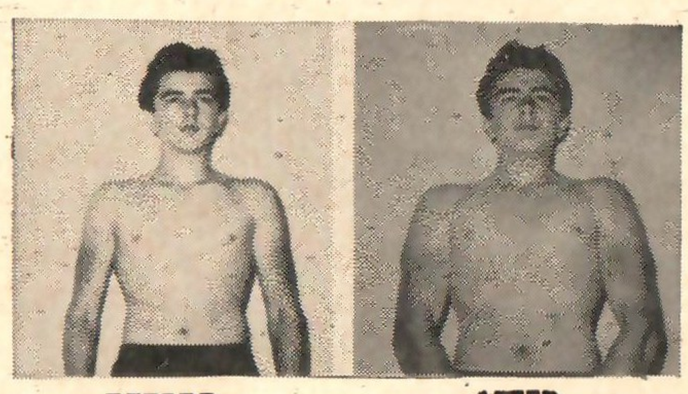

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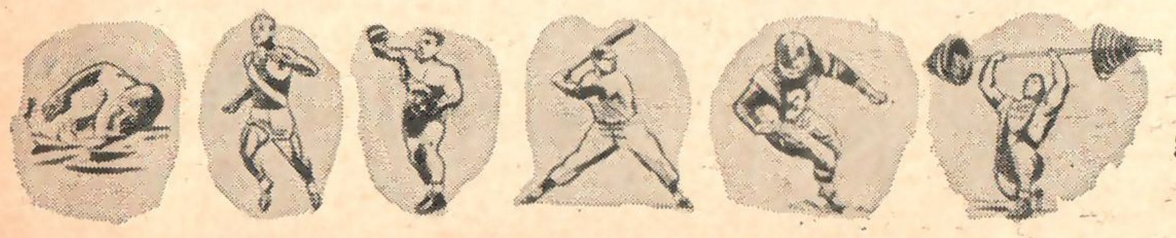

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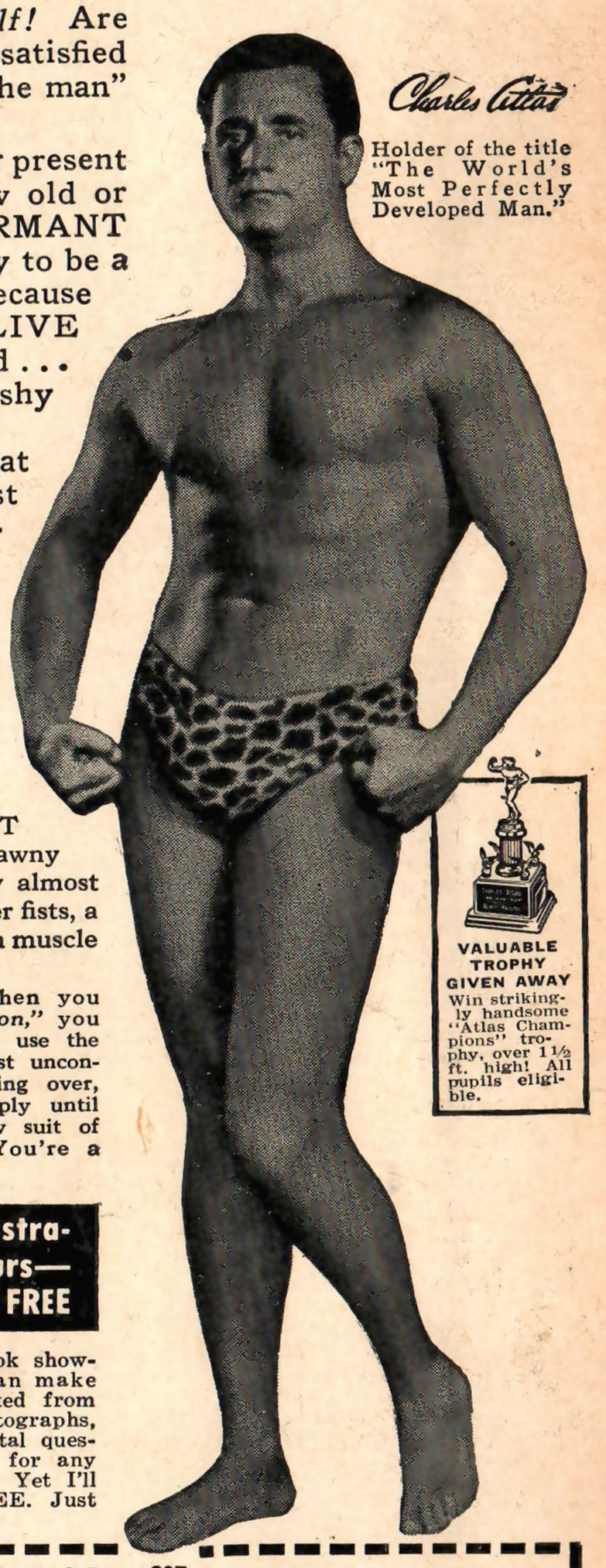
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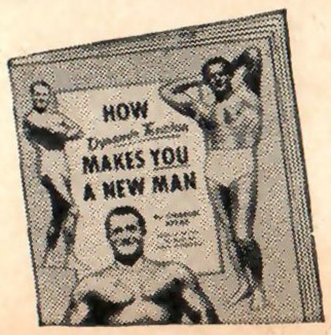

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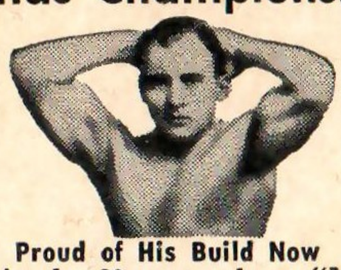

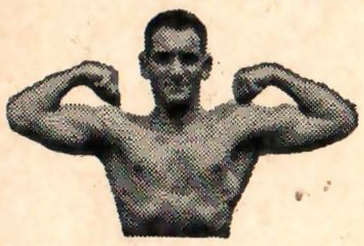

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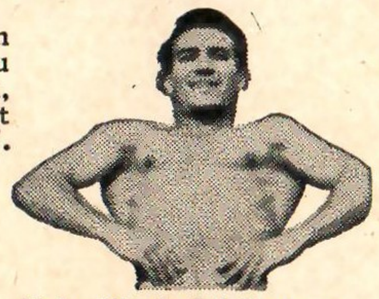

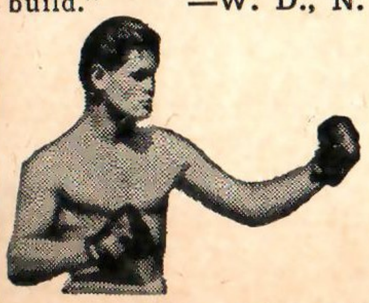

Make Wonderful Progress
"I am sending you this snapshot, showing my wonderful progress."
—W. G., New Jersey